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The Great Leader Comrade Kim Il-song Is the Pioneer and Helmsman of the Chuche Cause

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[Text] Today, under the impressive circumstances in which all our people are engaged in a vigorous struggle to attain the complete victory of socialism, we are marking the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's birthday as our nation's most felicitous event in a most meaningful manner.

On this happy occasion, all our party members and workers in the northern part of the republic, and the South Korean revolutionaries and patriotic people who are courageously struggling to realize the democratization of society and the reunification of the country, all our overseas compatriots, and the progressive people of the world struggling to realize their cause of independence are paying great homage to the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song and respectfully wishing him a long life.

In his youthful days, carrying the fate of the fatherland and the people with him, the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song embarked upon the road of revolution, declared war against Japan, and led us to victory. By his outstanding activities in the ideological and theoretical field and through his formidable revolutionary practice, he opened a new chapter in the history of chuche Korea resplendent with national prosperity, while achieving immortal exploits in the cause of world revolution.

The triumphant path of the Korean revolution represents the proud annals of our revolution, the chronicles of the revolutionary activities of the great leader, who, putting an end to the long history of national sufferings, opened the new era of creation and change to realize the wishes of our nation and the ideals of the masses of people under the banner of chuche.

All party members and workers should resolutely protect and preserve and infinitely glorify the great immortal revolutionary exploits which the respected and beloved Comrade Kim Il-song achieved on the road of his long devoted revolutionary activity extending over 60 years to consummate the revolutionary chuche cause, the cause of socialism and communism, with flying colors.

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The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the great Sun of our nation, who by pioneering our people's glorious revolutionary cause, the chuche cause, accomplished the historic cause of national liberation.

In principle, the revolutionary cause of the working class, the cause of socialism and communism, is pioneered and led to victory by its outstanding leader.

The great leader of the working class creates a revolutionary ideology and theory representing a given time and explores the path of the revolution to lead it to victory by arousing the consciousness of the masses and by organizing and mobilizing them in the revolutionary struggle.

At the historical moment of transition when our people had eagerly awaited the emergence of a great leader to lead our nation, the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song appeared at the head of the revolution and explored the road ahead of the revolution, in response to the exigent demand of the time and the eager desire of the masses of people.

It is the masses of people who create and develop history. In order that the masses of people may become the powerful motive force for social development and emerge victorious in revolutionary struggle, they should be led by an outstanding leader. The leader is the center for leadership which binds the party, the classes, and the masses of people together and he is the highest mind that leads all of them in a unitary manner.

With the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song embarking upon the road of revolution, our people came to have a great leader of the revolution who would illumine the true road of victory for the revolution and lead them along this road, and who came to embark upon the road of rewarding struggle to carve out the destiny of the country and the nation by holding him as the center for leadership, the center for unity.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song comprehensively analyzed and summed up the dire lessons of the erstwhile nationalist movement and the early communist movement and, on this basis, pioneered a new way of revolution, namely, that of pushing ahead with the revolution by relying on the efforts of the masses of people and the carrying out of a country's revolution by its people as their own responsibility.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught:

"The new generation of true communists in Korea learned a serious lesson from the previous nationalist movement and the early communist movement and, with a new revolutionary world outlook, chose a road of revolution entirely different from those pursued in the previous nationalist movement and the early communist movement." ("Collected Works of Kim Il-song," Vol 30, p 525)

With a penetrating insight into the grave shortcomings and limitations of the previous nationalist movement and the early communist movement and the demands of

the time and the revolution, the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song for the first time showed an ingenious way of developing our revolution in our own way.

What road a revolution takes is a fundamental issue which determines the future of that revolution and the fate of the masses of the people. Only a revolution which proceeds on the right path of struggle will lead to victory without turns and twists.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song organized the Down With Imperialism Union [DIU] with a new generation as its members by doing away with all existing ideas, and this marked a historic event in pursuing the *chuche* revolutionary cause and in opening a new road for the Korean revolution. The DIU was the first genuine communist revolutionary organization in our country. As a result of the establishment of the DIU, our people's revolutionary struggle parted with flunkeyism, dogmatism, and all other outmoded currents of thought and entered a new era in which it marched in accordance with the principle of independence; and the communist and national liberation movements in Korea were able to vigorously march forward under the correct strategies and tactics as well as with the correct fighting goals, and this marked the beginning of the cause of the Korean revolution, the *chuche* cause.

The *chuche* cause originated by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the cause which has been explored and developed for the masses of people under the banner of the *chuche* ideology and is a sacred cause designed to realize the independent life of the masses of people by putting the *chuche* ideology into practice.

The *chuche* cause is the great cause of our time which holding, above else, the *chuche* ideology—the right ideological compass for the revolution and construction—as its guiding principle, seeks to implement it.

The greatness of a revolutionary cause consists in the greatness of its guiding thought. Only a revolution which is led by a guiding ideology which reflects the demands of the time and of the developing revolution and the aspirations of the masses of the people can chart a straight road to victory. The *chuche* cause is a great cause which opens up the real prospects for national liberation, class liberation, and human liberation because it is undertaken under the banner of the immortal *chuche* ideology itself.

The *chuche* cause is also a noble cause which is aimed at realizing the independent life of the working masses—the mainstay of history and the masters of the revolution and construction—at its highest level by remaking nature, society, and man in accordance with the demands of the *chuche* ideology.

With the establishment of the DIU and the Korean Communist Youth League by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song at the helm of our revolution, the numerous fervent youths and patriotic people who, despite their love of the country and people, had formerly been wondering aimlessly in search of the true road of revolutionary struggle, came to hold the respected and beloved leader in high esteem as the center for leadership and band together around him with a strong ideological will and comradeship.

From the moment they received the banner of *chuche* bestowed by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, the new generation of young communists and the people, believed deep in their hearts that the restoration of the independence of their fatherland and the victory of the revolution lay on the road indicated by this great banner, and with this conviction, came forward to fight doggedly.

The banner of *chuche* is a great banner which rejects flunkeyism, dogmatism, dependence on foreign powers, and slavish submission—outmoded ideologies preying upon people's thinking and obstructing the revolution—and which enables the country and people and the revolution to attain and establish the *chuche* character. It also reflects the vicissitudes of the erstwhile nationalist movement and the early communist movement in our country and symbolizes the will of the time and the determination of the people to become the true masters of their own destiny.

With a new road of revolution opened by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song under the banner of *chuche*, the Korean revolution entered a new era marked by its triumphant progress achieved by putting an end to its past history which had been hampered by failure and vicissitudes.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who originated the *chuche* cause, set forth the *chuche*-oriented line and policy for the revolution at the historic Chialun Conference, thereby ushering in a period of transition in which the communist movement and the national liberation movement in our country moved forward in a new direction.

At this conference, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song proclaimed the immortal *chuche* ideology as the guiding thought of the Korean revolution, making it clear that the Korean revolution should be carried out by the Korean people themselves as its masters to suit the actual conditions in the country. Thus he clarified the basic position and attitude that the Korean communists and people should firmly maintain in their revolutionary struggle. The great leader created armed ranks with the new generation of communists as their core and organized and led the heroic anti-Japanese armed struggle in accordance with the *chuche*-based revolutionary line, thereby achieving immortal exploits in furthering the *chuche* cause.

The anti-Japanese armed struggle was a savage revolutionary war which was waged against the powerful imperialists under an unprecedented arduous condition in which there was no regular army to rely on for support nor state logistic support. As a result of the anti-Japanese armed struggle, a new phase was opened in the struggle to implement the line of the united national front against Japan and to execute the policy of founding a party and bringing about a new, great upswing in the Korean revolution as a whole.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song defeated the brigandish Japanese imperialists in an arduous condition defying all human imagination, by using an outstanding art of military deployment and matchless strategies, and led the anti-Japanese war to a great victory, thereby ultimately accomplishing the historic cause of restoring the independence of the fatherland.

The revolutionary tradition, the permanent corner stone of our party and the *chuche* revolutionary cause, was established on the anvil of the anti-Japanese war, and with this tradition as its historical root, the Korean revolution was able to chart a victorious path.

As a result of the great victory in the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle, the *chuche* revolutionary cause pioneered by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song entered into a new stage of development and a broad way was opened for our people to carve out their own destiny independently and creatively as true masters of the state and society.

Indeed the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the great pioneer of the *chuche* cause who, by overcoming the most severe trials in modern history, indicated a new road for the revolution, led the anti-Japanese war to victory, and brilliantly consummated the cause of national liberation; he is the Sun of our nation who saved the country and people and founded the new history of *chuche* Korea.

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The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the genius of creation and construction who has brought epoch-making changes to our soil by sagaciously leading the revolutionary cause of our people on the high road of victory.

In principle, the outstanding leader of the working class not only charts the revolutionary cause but also leads the struggle for its consummation to victory.

Even under such a difficult and complex situation in the post-liberation days, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song brilliantly consummated the cause of building the party, the country, and the army; accomplished democratic reforms in political, economic, and social fields in a short space of time; and laid the reliable foundations for the free development of our nation.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song set forth the ingenious idea of promptly moving into a socialist revolution as soon as the anti-imperialist, anti-feudalistic democratic revolution was accomplished, and for the first time, provided a scientific elucidation of fundamental problems arising in remodeling the outmoded relations of production after a socialist pattern.

Straightly embarking upon socialism immediately following the consummation of the anti-imperialist, anti-feudalistic democratic revolution is a fundamental problem which arises in the struggle to consolidate the independence of the country, to accomplish class liberation, and to achieve national prosperity.

In those days, it was an established axiom that only in Korea where industrialization had resulted in increased productivity would it be possible to transform relations of production after a socialist pattern.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song maintained the firm *chuche*-based stand that the socialist transformation of the outmoded relations of production should be carried out without delay under the condition in which life urgently demanded such transformation despite the relatively low levels of productivity and technology, without being hampered by any existing theories or formulations, and in which there existed the revolutionary forces sufficiently prepared to take on that task. From this standpoint, for the first time he presented his ingenious line on remodeling the structure of the economy after a socialist pattern, prior to embarking upon technological transformation. As a result, a new theory of socialist revolution has been developed and the true road to socialism, the road to complete class liberation, has been opened up for the peoples in former colonies or semicolonies.

Under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, the historic cause of remodeling the outmoded relations of production after a socialist pattern was smoothly accomplished in our country in 4 to 5 short years without any deflection. As a result, the roots of exploitation and oppression which had lasted for thousands of years were liquidated once and for all and an advanced socialist system established. This represents the most valuable gain which our people have made through their protracted bloody struggle and marks an epochal event in their struggle to consummate the *chuche* revolutionary cause. With the establishment a socialist system, a still wider road has been opened to more vigorously accelerate the revolutionary cause and firmly guarantee a truly independent and creative life to the people.

Through the socialist revolution, the social and political independence of the popular masses has been fully realized, but this is not to say that the complete independence of the working masses has been achieved. To realize the complete independence of the working class,

it is necessary to bring the chuche revolutionary cause, the cause of socialism and communism, to consummation by continuing the revolution.

From his firm chuche-oriented point of view, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has provided scientific answers to all theoretical and practical problems arising in building socialism and communism in the period following the victory in the socialist revolution and has vigorously pushed ahead with the revolution and construction by rallying broad circles of people tightly around the party.

To carve out the right path for socialist and communist construction is an urgent historical task of our time.

The respected and beloved leader has made an immortal contribution to the development of the working-class theory of revolution and provided a firm guarantee for bringing the chuche cause to consummation by giving comprehensive and profound answers to all theoretic and practical problems arising in socialist and communist construction—such as the idea of capturing the ideological and material fortresses in socialist construction; the idea concerning the period of transition from capitalism to socialism and the dictatorship of the proletariat; the ideas on the complete victory of socialism, the working classification of the whole society, and the conversion of society into a society of intellectuals; and the idea of three revolutions, ideological, technological, and cultural.

With the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song providing scientific answers to all problems posed by our time and revolution and sagaciously leading the revolution, our people have been able to walk down the high road of victory and glory, and our country has been converted to a mighty, dignified socialist power which is known for its self-dependence, self-sustenance, and self-reliant defense.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, particularly defining three revolutions, ideological, technological, and cultural, as a strategic line on socialist and communist construction, has sagaciously led our people to vigorously wage these revolutions, thereby bringing about epochal changes in all aspects of socialist construction.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught:

“Our party defined three revolutions, ideological, technological, and cultural, as the basic substance of our revolution which we should wage in socialist society following the establishment of the socialist system and as a major task in the continuous revolution that should be carried on until communism is built, and has vigorously carried out the ideological, technological, and cultural revolutions.” (“Kim Il-song Selected Works,” Vol 8, p 319)

Waging three revolutions, ideological, technological, and cultural, is a strategic line that should be maintained throughout the entire period of socialist and communist construction and it constitutes a basic task of the revolution. The triad represents a revolution at its highest stage designed to bring socialist and communist construction to completion and achieve the complete independence of the popular masses.

With three revolutions, ideological, technological, and cultural, defined by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song as a strategic line on socialist and communist construction, answers to problems concerning the revolution in the period following the establishment of the socialist system have come to be provided for the first time, along with the firm guiding principle that will enable the working-class party and the state to consummate the cause of human liberation in a most brilliant manner. At the same time, a basic way has been provided to accelerate the complete victory of socialism and brilliantly consummate our people's revolutionary cause, the chuche cause.

As a result of the vigorous acceleration of the three revolutions under the sagacious leadership of Comrade Kim Il-song, there has been new changes in the ideological and spiritual traits of our people, and our society has been converted to a community of revolutionaries in which all the people move forward, united tightly around the party and the leader with one mind and one will.

People have come to give full play to the habit of working and living in a revolutionary manner, and the popular masses have reposed higher trust in the party than ever before, and the unity between the party and the people has become more rock-firm.

Our country has become an independent socialist state with a powerful self-supporting national economy, a brilliant national culture, and a self-reliant defensive capability; and our people, who were subjected to mistreatment and contempt in bygone days, have now become a most dignified, powerful independent people.

With the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song sagaciously leading them on the high road of victory after having pioneered the chuche revolutionary cause, our people have been able to usher in the golden age of national development and prosperity and become the true masters of social life in its all aspects, political, economic, and cultural, a people who enjoy genuine freedom and happiness.

These epochal changes which have been brought about on our journey toward the consummation of the chuche cause represent a shining fruit of the sagacious leadership of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who early ushered in a new age in history with the sunlight of chuche, set it forth as a basic requirement for victory in the revolution to maintain chuche and has always thoroughly abided by this principle throughout the entire course of leading the Korean revolution, while sagaciously leading our people to solve all problems by their own way to suit the interests of their revolution and the actual conditions in their country. Herein lies the greatness and sagacity of our party's leadership, as well as the important secret of success in triumphantly advancing our revolution and continuing to make nothing but leaping strides and innovations.

In leading the chuche revolutionary cause to victory, the great leader Comrade Kim I-song has always thoroughly implemented the revolutionary mass line of relying on the efforts of the masses and organizing and mobilizing their creative abilities.

Success in revolution and construction depends mainly on how well the creative capacity of the masses of people is organized and mobilized. The revolution and construction, being an undertaking of the masses themselves, can be successfully pushed through only when their revolutionary zeal and creativeness are vigorously brought into play.

By giving full play to the enthusiasm and wisdom of the masses with firm faith in their capability, the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song has successfully cleared obstacles standing in the way of the revolution and has continually produced heroic exploits and upsurges in revolution and construction.

The great victories won by our people in fulfilling the chuche cause are inconceivable aside from the noble moral trait of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

With rare wisdom and insight, with tempered organizational finesse and revolutionary strategy, and with an iron will that no one else can have, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has led our revolution on the high road of continuous innovation and continuous advance, thus adding luster to the dignity and honor of chuche Korea.

Indeed the entire course traversed by our people in fulfilling the chuche cause under the wise leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is embroidered with the proud annals of the Korean revolution, which add luster to our national dignity and honor and which marks a history of cataclysmic changes brought about on our soil by carving out an untrodden path.

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Our people's revolutionary cause, the chuche revolutionary cause, which has walked down the high road of victory and glory under the sapient leadership of the

respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, has now entered the new, higher stage of converting the whole society to the chuche ideology.

The historic march initiated under party leadership in the 1970's toward the conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology marked an epochal event in the struggle to bring the chuche revolutionary cause to consummation.

Comrade Kim Chong-il, member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee and secretary of the party Central Committee, pointed out:

"The cause of converting the whole society to the chuche ideology is a historic one designed to ultimately fulfill our revolution, which has been triumphantly piloted under the banner of the chuche ideology." ("On the Chuche Ideology," monograph, pp 1-2)

The cause of converting the whole society to the chuche ideology is an honorable cause aimed at permanently preserving the purity of the revolutionary cause pioneered by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, making it shine forever, and bringing into practice the leader's far-reaching ideas on a noble plane.

Amid the historic march toward the conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology, all our party members and workers have been prepared more solidly as chuche type communist revolutionaries infinitely loyal to the party and the leader, and the unity and cohesion of the entire party and society based on the chuche ideology has been consolidated rocklike.

Radical change has taken place in people's ideological point of view, in their way of thinking, and in their work attitude, and the whole party and the whole society have been pulsating with the genuine life style of working devotedly for the party and the leader, for the country and people.

Under the wise leadership of the party, the fire of the speed battle has been ablaze and marvelous exploits have been produced daily in every battlefield of socialist construction; as a result, ushering in the golden age of unprecedented prosperity in our country.

On the march toward the conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology, the organizational and ideological foundations of our party, the guiding force of our revolution, have been consolidated still more firmly and the might and leadership authority of the party has been strengthened incomparably.

Our people see in the party's invincible might and absolute leadership authority their own dazzling future and feel immense national pride in having the great guiding force which is leading the cause communism toward a shining victory.

Our people have come a long way in their march toward the consummation of the chuche cause. Nevertheless, we cannot pause our onward march but should dash forward still more vigorously. We are currently faced with the weighty yet honorable task of achieving the complete victory of socialism and realizing national reunification as soon as possible.

The complete victory of socialism—this constitutes an important milestone in the course of struggle for the consummation of the chuche revolutionary cause. Only by capturing this height will it be possible to make decisive progress in bringing the chuche cause to consummation.

By more vigorously accelerating the revolution and construction, we should hasten the complete victory of socialism and the cause of national reunification as much as possible and bring to brilliant consummation the glorious chuche revolutionary cause pioneered by the respected and beloved leader.

It is a basic requirement in consummating the chuche revolutionary cause to resolutely preserve and add luster to the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's great ideological theories and the purity of the immortal revolutionary exploits he has achieved in the protracted course of his revolutionary struggle.

In the final analysis, the bright prospects and future of our revolution wholly depends on our revering the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song forever with loyalty and our protecting and infinitely glorifying his immortal exploits, their purity left intact.

All party members and workers should forever reverentially look up to the respected and beloved leader and do everything in their power to thoroughly implement his revolutionary ideology, with adamant faith in it.

Upholding party leadership is a basic guarantee for brilliantly consummating the glorious chuche cause pioneered by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

Our party is the guide who takes full responsibility for all problems, major or minor, confronting the Korean revolution, and for the current condition and the future fate of our people and leads our people in solving these problems.

Only under the leadership of our party will our people be able to reunify the divided country, achieve the complete victory of socialism in the northern half of the republic, and further bring the chuche revolutionary cause, the cause of socialism and communism, to consummation.

It is because a great party with an invincible might and absolute leadership authority has been leading them, that our people have been able to triumphantly push forward with the revolution and construction and create such a history of great changes as they see today.

All party members and workers should in the future, as in the past, vigorously march on under the tempered leadership of the party, so that they can strengthen and develop the party forever as a chuche-oriented revolutionary party and further accelerate the triumphant advance and the ultimate victory of our revolutionary cause.

We should profoundly understand, securely protect and preserve, and infinitely glorify the brilliant revolutionary exploits that the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il has achieved in his daily efforts to usher in a decisive period of transition in the implementation of the chuche cause under the slogan of converting the whole society to the chuche ideology, the exploits which will shine throughout many centuries.

The organizational and ideological foundations of the party have been consolidated rockfirm, and this represents the most valuable accomplishment that the party center has made for the party and revolution, for the time and history.

Regarding the continual consolidation of the party's organizational and ideological foundations as a strategic task that we should permanently carry out in our party building, we should more vigorously carry out the task of thoroughly establishing the party's unitary ideological system in the whole party and the whole society and of also establishing such ironclad revolutionary discipline and order under which the whole party will move as one under the unitary leadership of the party center.

We should establish more firmly, in the whole party and the whole society, the revolutionary habit of accepting party lines and policies as most legitimate and of unconditionally implementing them to the end.

Given the sagacious leadership of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who has always been leading our revolution along the high road of victory, given our party with its ever victorious militancy and leadership, and given the revolutionary ranks with their infinite loyalty to the party and the leader, our revolutionary cause is firmly assured of ultimate victory.

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The Respected and Beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il-song Is the Great Ideological Theorist Who Has Made Enduring Contributions to the Development of the Working Class Theory of Revolution

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[Article by Yim Chun-chu]

[Text] While marking the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's birthday in a most meaningful manner as the

nation's foremost holiday, our people are cherishing more deeply in their hearts their pride in waging a revolution under the respected and beloved leader who originated immortal chuche ideology and has achieved many enduring historic achievements for our times and revolution.

Shining most brilliantly of all the exploits the great leader has achieved for our times and revolution is the theory of revolution he has comprehensively elucidated with the masses of people at the center and on the basis of the chuche ideology.

The whole life of respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, the greatest ideological theorist that mankind has ever produced, is the shining, glorious history of his creative ideological theoretical activity in evolving the chuche theory of revolution and of his leadership in leading the revolution to victory after victory.

Today, as our party members and workers look back upon the historical journey made by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song in sagaciously leading the chuche oriented revolution for over 60 years, they renew their determination to be forever loyal to their respected and beloved leader from generation to generation—the leader who has made an enduring contribution to the development of the working class theory of revolution through his boundlessly rich and many sided ideological theoretical activity.

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A great ideology and theory and scientific strategy and tactics illuminating the course of revolution can be originated and developed only by the outstanding leader of the working class.

The leader of the working class lights the road ahead for the struggle of the working people, including the working class, by looking further ahead than anyone else with a keen insight into the inevitability of historical development, the law of class struggle, and the aspirations of the people, and by presenting new revolutionary thoughts and theories.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the greatest ideological theorist who has rare, matchless acumen and scientific insight.

The entire course of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's revolutionary activity is one of exploring the new frontiers of the working class theory of revolution and constantly enriching its treasure house through in-depth cogitation and scientific research.

The respected and beloved leader, who has both outstanding wisdom and a great practical ability, has continued his theoretical activity without even a momentary pause in order to create new revolutionary thoughts and theories in the storm of the revolution, not in his quiet

study. As a result, he originated an ingenious theory of revolution and unique revolutionary strategy and tactic on the basis of the chuche ideology.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song has made an enduring contribution to the development of revolutionary theories by evolving a comprehensive theory of revolution with the masses of people at the center, as well as comprehensive strategy and tactics based on their role, to suit the demands of our time in which broad circles of people have launched into the revolutionary struggle.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught:

"The chuche ideology is the theory of revolution evolved with the working masses at the center and constitutes a strategy and tactic for the revolution based on their role." ("Collected Works of Kim Il-song," Vol 30, p 528)

The greatness and vitality of an ideological theory lie in providing comprehensive answers to theoretical and practical problems posed by the times.

It is inevitable that as the times change and the revolution makes progress, thoughts and theories on revolution also constantly develop. Ours is a time in which the working masses have emerged as the masters of the world, and the revolutionary struggle is being waged extensively and in depth, thanks to their independent ideological consciousness and creativeness. In our times the masses of people, the absolute majority, with the working class at the head, are widely rising up in struggle to achieve their independence in most of the countries in the world.

With a deep scientific insight into the demands of our times in which the masses of people, having emerged as the masters of the world, are widely rising up in revolutionary struggle, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song set forth the basic principle of theory that the masses of people are the masters of the revolution and construction and that the masses of people also have the capability to drive the revolution and construction forward. This principle of revolution has been evolved on the basis of a scientific analysis of essential human characteristics, namely, his independent mind, creativity, and consciousness. By waging a revolutionary struggle to realize their independence, the masses of people have come to occupy their place as masters of the revolution; and because they have creativity, the masses play a decisive role in the revolutionary struggle. Furthermore, their consciousness provides a firm guarantee for making them occupy their place as masters of the revolutionary construction and assume their role as masters.

This basic principle of revolution, by clarifying the place the masses occupy in the revolutionary struggle, states that revolution is an undertaking carried out by the masses as masters in order to meet their own demands

for an independent life, and by clarifying the role they play in the revolutionary struggle, states that revolution is an undertaking that is propelled by the energies of the masses.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song most accurately defined the essential characteristics of the revolutionary struggle and the basic contents of all forms of revolutionary struggle on the basis of the *chuche* principle of revolution.

The *chuche* ideology has fully elucidated the theory of revolution designed to realize the independence of the working masses, and this goal is the foremost characteristics of this theory.

Comrade Kim Chong-il, member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee and secretary of the party Central Committee, pointed out:

"By placing the working masses at the center in evolving a theory of revolution, the *chuche* ideology has made it possible to fully elucidate a theory of revolution designed to realize their independence and has developed the working class theory of revolution into a perfect theory encompassing the doctrines of national liberation, class liberation, and human liberation, namely, the consummate theory of communism synthesizing the doctrines on the remaking of society, the remaking of nature, and the remaking of man." ("On the *Chuche* Ideology," monograph, p 78)

For the first time, the respected and beloved leader scientifically clarified that revolution is in essence a struggle to realize the independence of the masses.

This elucidation represents a brilliant contribution to clarifying the fundamental objectives of the revolutionary struggle in conformity with the essential attributes of the people and to making all the revolutionary struggle of the working class serve in the realization of these objectives.

Independence is man's vital and essential attribute. If man loses his independence, he would not be able to live in freedom as master of nature and society.

Realizing the independence of the masses of people means enabling them to occupy a place as masters of nature and society and fully enhance their role as masters. A revolution is the social upheaval that occurs when the struggle of the masses to realize their independence culminates in radical change in their place and role at a certain stage.

By clarifying for the first time in history that the revolutionary struggle is a struggle to realize the independence of the masses of people, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song not only has made it possible to determine the essential characteristics common to all forms of

revolutionary struggle and all stages of the revolution but also has provided the guiding principles for most accurately defining the basic content of all revolutionary struggles according to the factors restricting man's independent life.

If the essence of revolutionary struggle is the realization of independence, the basic content of each type of revolutionary struggle and the basic content of the revolution at each stage are defined according to which shackles restricting people's independence as masters of themselves are to be removed first.

The basic content of the revolution for national liberation consists in eliminating the factors restricting the independence of the nation and in enabling the people of each country to maintain their place as its masters, whereas the content of the revolution for class liberation consists in eliminating the exploiting class' exploitation of other classes and realizing the independence of the working class.

The basic content of human liberation following the liquidation of the exploitation and oppression of one class by another consists in completely eliminating all factors restricting people's independence in all aspects of life, such as ideological and cultural life and labor, and in realizing the independence of the laboring class. The basic content of the struggle to remake society, nature, and man also can be accurately defined when the struggle is examined mainly from the standpoint of independence.

The basic content of the struggle to remake society consists in providing such social and political conditions which will enable the masses of people to enjoy a life of independence; the basic content of the struggle to remake nature consists in providing material conditions which will enable the masses of people to free themselves from the shackles of nature and enjoy a life of independence; and the content of the struggle to remake man consists in enabling the masses of people to free themselves from the fetters of outmoded ideologies and culture and enjoy complete independence in their ideological and cultural life.

Indeed, by pioneering the theory of revolution with the working masses at the center, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song provided a revolutionary doctrine aimed at realizing their independence; made it possible to develop the most accurate theories on all forms of revolution and at all stages of the revolutionary struggle; and developed the working class theory of revolution into a perfect theory encompassing the doctrines on national liberation, class liberation, and human liberation, namely, the consummate theory of communism synthesizing the doctrines on the remaking of society, the remaking of nature, and the remaking of man.

By most accurately clarifying, with the working class placed at the center, the driving force for the development of the revolution and the essential requirements and conditions for its victory, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song provided the guiding principles which made it possible to scientifically define the strategic and tactical principles on the basis of the role of the working masses.

The important thing in the theory of revolution is not only to clarify the essential nature of all forms of revolutionary struggle but also to scientifically clarify the driving force for developing the revolution, as well as the essential requirements and conditions for its victory.

The *chuche* theory of revolution, which was evolved with the working masses at the center, demands that not only the essential nature of revolutionary struggle but also its driving force be sought in the essential attributes of man.

By clarifying the driving force for the development of the revolution on the basis of the essential attributes of man for the first time, the respected and beloved leader comrade Kim Il-song provided the theoretical and practical weapon with which to scientifically clarify the inevitability of development of the revolution, with the masses, the motive force of the revolution, placed at the center.

If the essential nature of the revolutionary struggle lies in realizing the independence of the masses, the motive force for the development of the revolution is their creative ability.

It is because man has creativity and creative ability that he can go forward to realize his independence. His demand for independence is fulfilled through his creative activity to remake the world; and his creative activity is carried out through the exercise of his creative ability.

The course of advancement and development of the revolution is the process by which the working masses present their independent demands and gratify these demands by their creative ability.

Just as it is impossible to understand the essential nature of the revolution apart from the independent demands of the working masses, it is impossible to consider the development of the revolutionary movement and its inevitability apart from their creative ability.

If the working masses' creative ability to remake nature is the motive force for accelerating the production of the material wealth of society, their combined political capability as the driving force for remaking society is the motive force for remaking the outmoded social system into a new one.

If the extent of independence realized in the revolutionary struggle is the measure of the place the masses of people occupy as masters of the revolution, the degree of creativity displayed is the measure of their role as the driving force of the revolution.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has proved that the motive force propelling the revolution lies in the creative ability of the masses, and on the basis of their role, has provided comprehensive answers to problems concerning the inevitability of the revolutionary struggle, such as the essential requirements and conditions for victory in the revolution and the principles on preparing revolutionary forces. This constitutes another great contribution the respected and beloved leader made to the further development and enrichment of the working class theory of revolution, by enabling the revolutionary party of the working class to map out strategies and tactics in accordance with the principle of enhancing the role of the masses as the motive force of the revolution at its maximum.

To win victory in their revolutionary struggle, the masses should soundly put in place the essential subjective requirements and objective conditions.

Creative activities to remake nature and society can be carried out only when there are agents to perform such activities and the objects of remaking and only when these elements interact. In this connection, the subjective factor is the masses of the people, and all necessary conditions other than the people are objective factors. The *chuche* factor for victory in the revolution is the prominent creative role of the masses as the mainstay of the revolutionary struggle.

Needless to say, the economic and material factors in society greatly influence the revolutionary movement. But they only provide the objective potential for the development of the revolutionary movement and cannot be a decisive factor influencing victory in the revolution. The decisive factor in achieving victory in the revolution is the creative role of the masses of people struggling to be the masters of nature and society, free from all fetters.

If we were to wait for favorable objective conditions to present themselves while neglecting to enhance the role of the masses as masters of the revolution, we would be unable to attain victory in the revolution.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song scientifically clarified that the motive force for the development of the revolution is the masses and that only by enhancing their creative role will it be possible to vigorously push forward with the revolution and set forth a new guiding principle for mapping out revolutionary strategies and tactics on the basis of the role of the masses. With the guiding principle on formulating strategies and tactics on the basis of the role of the masses established, the way was paved for resolving all strategic and tactical problems afresh, problems such as setting the right fighting

goals and the principal direction of attack, accurately organizing the revolutionary forces, choosing the appropriate time for waging the revolution, and setting forth the most reasonable method of struggle. As a result, the working class theory of evolution has been developed into a great revolutionary theory that elucidates in the most scientific manner the strategies and tactics that are suitable to the interests and the relative strength of the masses in society and the subjective and objective conditions of the revolution.

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The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song not only presented the chuche based principle of revolution and formulated for the first time the theory of revolution with the masses of people at the center, as well as the strategies and tactics based on their role but also has infinitely developed and enriched the working class theory of revolution while brilliantly implementing these strategies and tactics in every aspect and at every stage of the revolution and construction.

The great leader's ideological theoretical activity comprehensively encompasses every aspect and every stage of the revolution and construction. Through his outstanding ideological theoretical activity, the respected and beloved leader has provided comprehensive scientific and theoretical answers to ideological and theoretical problems arising in every aspect and at every state of the revolution and construction, such as problems concerning the antiimperialist, antifeudalistic democratic revolution, the socialist revolution, socialist and communist construction, and the world revolution.

In bygone days our people waged a protracted bloody struggle to free themselves from exploitation and oppression at the class and national levels.

Under the circumstances in which our country was completely reduced to a Japanese colony, the task to put an end to class subordination was inseparably linked to the task of liquidating national enslavement. This kind of situation was not peculiar to our country alone but was a characteristic common to all colonies and semicolonies.

By gaining a profound scientific insight into the conditions in various colonies and semicolonies, as well as the socioeconomic conditions in our country in bygone days when our people were subject to the double evils of the Japanese colonial rule and class exploitation and oppression by the feudal landlords, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song presented an ingenious theory that the class liberation struggle should be waged in colonies and semicolonies in combination with the national liberation struggle and elucidated for the first time the theory, strategy, and tactics on the antiimperialist, antifeudalistic democratic revolution. This constitutes a major historic contribution to developing the working class theory of revolution to suit the demands of our time in which

the working masses in those countries which were formerly subjected to exploitation and oppression at the national and class levels have launched into struggle on a massive scale.

In the early period of his revolutionary activity, the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song characterized the revolutions proceeding in colonies and semicolonies as anti-imperialist, antifeudalistic democratic revolutions and, on this basis, ingeniously clarified the motive force and target of these revolutions in conformity with their characteristics.

The great leader defined the anti-imperialist democratic forces who have a stake in the anti-imperialist and antifeudalistic tasks—forces such as workers, peasants, youths, students, intellectuals, handicraftsmen, small merchants, conscientious men of religion, and native capitalists—as the motive power of the revolution, while defining the foreign imperialist forces of aggression and their lackeys—such as landlords, capitalists in the service of the imperialists, traitors to the nation, and reactionary bureaucrats—as the target of the struggle. In this way he accurately defined the target and motive power of the revolution in colonies and semi-colonies in conformity with the anti-imperialist, antifeudalistic character of the revolution, thereby for the first time completely resolving the issue concerning the motive power and target of the anti-imperialist, antifeudalistic revolution.

The respected and beloved leader fully clarified all important theoretical and practical problems arising in the struggle of the peoples in colonies and semicolonies to free themselves from the yokes of imperialism and feudalism—problems such as the place and role of armed struggle in the revolution for national liberation, the dictatorship of the people's democracy, various socioeconomic reforms including land reform and the industrialization of key industries.

The respected and beloved leader scientifically clarified that the peoples who completed the task of the anti-imperialist, antifeudalistic democratic revolution should move toward socialism in order to consolidate their national independence and fulfill the cause of class liberation, and presented the ingenious theory on immediately moving into the socialist revolution without delay upon consummation of the anti-imperialist, antifeudalistic democratic revolution. He also clarified theoretical and practical problems arising in providing favorable conditions for the transition from the process of anti-imperialist, antifeudalistic democratic reforms to the socialist revolution.

By setting forth an ingenious policy on the socialist transformation of the outmoded relations of production, the great leader also has further developed and enriched the working class theory of revolution on waging the socialist revolution to suit the demands of the times, and

thus has paved the way for the oppressed and exploited peoples to consummate their cause of class liberation, namely, the straight road to socialism.

His policy on the cooperativization of agriculture designed to revamp the structure of the agricultural economy on a socialist pattern prior to its technological transformation and his policy of reforming capitalist commercial and industrial entrepreneurs by peaceful means without expropriation are the ingenious policies which show the peoples who have accomplished the anti-imperialist, antifeudalistic revolution the right way to move into socialism without having to go through all the pains that capitalism would otherwise invariably inflict on them. The formulation of these policies by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is of great significance in developing and enriching the working class theory of revolution.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song set forth three revolutions, ideological, technological, and cultural, as the basic content of the revolution that the working class party should wage in the socialist society following the establishment of the socialist system and as the major task of the continuous revolution that should be tackled permanently until the communist society is built. This line stands out among all his contributions to the development of the working class theory of revolution.

The great leader for the first time clarified that overthrowing the outmoded social system and establishing a new social system in its place is not all that the revolution stands for, but that replacing the old by the new in the ideological, technological, and cultural fields is also part of the revolution, and presented his unique thought that three revolutions, ideological, technological, and cultural, are the basic content of the revolution that should be waged after the socialist system is established. He also provided the guiding principle for the communists to keep the three revolutions in their grip as the main task of the continuous revolution, instead of calling a halt to the revolution now that the socialist revolution has ended in victory.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught:

"Following the establishment of the socialist system, our party defined three revolutions, ideological, technological, and cultural, as the basic content of the revolution that should be waged in the socialist society, as a task of continuous revolution that should be pursued until communism is built, and vigorously launched the ideological, technological, and cultural revolutions." ("The Historical Experience in Building the WPK," monograph, pp 81-82)

Inasmuch as the revolutionary struggle of the masses to realize their independence is a struggle to radically change their place and role, the basic content of the revolution consists, in changing in a revolutionary manner, the social factors that define their place and role.

The revolutionary struggle to radically change the place and role of the working masses begins with the struggle to remodel the outmoded social system.

The social system is the established system of social order that defines the social status of the people. The social system bestows the members of society the authority to fulfill their independent demands and assigns them their shares of social role. Accordingly, in the periods of the democratic revolution and the socialist revolution, remodeling the old social system comes to the fore as the basic task of the revolution, whereas the ideological, technological, and cultural revolutions proceed toward the goal of insuring the success of the tasks to oppose imperialism and to realize class liberation.

When the old social system is liquidated and a new social system is established in its place, the working masses will come to occupy their place as masters in all fields, political, economic, and cultural, and new social conditions will be provided to enable them to play their role as masters.

However, the establishment of the socialist system does not necessarily bring in its tail a complete solution to the question of enabling the popular masses to occupy their place as masters of society and play their role as masters.

The place and role of the people are defined by the social system on the one hand and greatly influenced by their ideological, technological, and cultural standards on the other.

Even when the people become the masters of the state and of the means of production following the establishment of the socialist system, they would not be able to effectively maintain their place as the real masters of society, much less to play their role as masters, if their ideological, technological, and cultural standards remain low.

Even after the exploiting system of the old society has been overthrown, the working masses would not be aware of their place as masters of the new society, nor be able to exercise their rights as the masters of the new society and play their proper role as masters, if the level of their ideological consciousness remains low.

Moreover, if the technical and cultural standards of the working masses are low, they would not be able to occupy their place as the genuine masters of economic and cultural life nor to play their legitimate role as the masters of society in creating its material wealth even after they have been freed from exploitation and oppression.

Only by improving the ideological, technological, and cultural standards of the workers will it be possible to radically enhance the place and role of the masses so that they can realize the completely victorious socialist system by eliminating the subversive activities of the hostile

classes and the corrosive process of the old society and by liquidating all kinds of differences, such as gaps between cities and villages and differences between workers and peasants.

Therefore, following the establishment of the socialist system, the working class party should keep a firm grip on three revolutions, ideological, technological, and cultural, as the basic content of the overall revolution.

With the elucidation of the great leader's ingenious theory on three revolutions, ideological, technological, and cultural, there has come to be provided the guiding principle that will make it possible to eliminate the last remaining factors restricting the independent life of the masses and completely realize their cherished desire to become the genuine masters of nature and society and enjoy an independent, creative, and rewarding life. This theory is one of the most brilliant contributions of the respected and beloved leader to the development of the working class theory of revolution.

In addition, the great leader has evolved ingenious theories on all types of struggle related to realizing the independent life of the masses, such as violent and nonviolent struggles; lawful and unlawful struggles; guerilla warfare and modern warfare; the struggle to build a new chuche type party and a people's government; the struggle to establish workers organizations; the struggle for economic, defense, and cultural construction; nationwide and local revolutions in the divided country; and movements by overseas compatriots. Moreover, the great leader has for the first time provided scientific answers to problems arising in the course of socialist and communist construction, such as problems concerning the transitional period and the proletarian dictatorship; the revolutionization, chucheization, and intellectualization conversion of the whole society; and the complete and ultimate victory of socialism. He also has provided new, ingenious answers not only to all problems arising in the revolution and construction in our country but also to numerous theoretical and practical problems posed by the world revolution in our time, such as the problem of realizing global independence; the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. joint struggle of the world's people; solidarity with the international revolutionary forces; the nonaligned movement; and problems concerning war and peace. As a result, the working class theory of revolution has been further developed and enriched as an encyclopedic theory that firmly guarantees the ultimate victory of the cause of liberating mankind.

Indeed the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is a great ideological theorist who founded the immortal chuche ideology, and formulated revolutionary theories, strategies, and tactics by its light, with the masses at the center, and made an enduring contribution to the development of the working class theory of revolution while leading the revolution and construction over 60 years.

The validity and vitality of the chuche theory of revolution elucidated by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song have been amply substantiated by the development of the revolution in our country.

Thanks to the greatness and reformatory role of the theory of revolution based on the chuche ideology, the Korean revolution, which went through many turns and twists in bygone days, has been able to walk down the high road of victory. The course traversed by our people for the past half a century or more has been far from broad and level. Obstacles and trials were encountered at each step, trials such as the bloody struggles against the occupation forces of two imperialist countries, the struggle against backwardness and poverty, the struggle for the postwar reconstruction from utter devastation, the struggle against all kinds of enemies, and difficult and complex problems arising from the division of the country. But the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, a great ideological theorist and genius of revolution, has been able to brilliantly overcome all these abilities by skillfully implementing the chuche theory of revolution, with his outstanding wisdom and profound insight, to suit the demands of the revolution to each period and each stage of development.

By implementing the chuche theory of revolution, the great leader led the glorious 20 year anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle and the 3-year Fatherland Liberation War to shining victory, and completed two stages of social revolution in the liberated fatherland in a short period of time, and has erected a strong, affluent dignified socialist country, independent, self-supporting, and capable of defending itself, in this land, which in bygone days was overwhelmed by the sorrows of national ruin and slavery.

As a result, our people accomplished the cause of national liberation and have made brilliant successes in pursuing the cause of human liberation, thereby becoming a happy, dignified people who enjoy the most rewarding life in the whole world.

In the course of their long glorious struggle, our people have come to deeply understand this truth about struggle and life: when they walk down the road indicated by the chuche ideology evolved by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, and the chuche theory of revolution, its embodiment, they will be able to enjoy a happy and rewarding life as they do now and shape a still more dazzling future.

The chuche theory of revolution evolved by the great leader is currently being brilliantly protected and preserved and further developed and enriched by our party.

The dear Comrade Kim Chong-il has comprehensively clarified all theoretical and practical tasks designed to bring the chuche revolutionary cause to consummation by carrying it on from generation to generation and

further developed and enriched the chuche theory of revolution to suit the demands of our party and our revolution at their new stage of development.

The dear Comrade Kim Chong-il particularly set forth the conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology as the foremost program of our party, defined three revolutions, ideological, technological, and cultural, as the basic means of its implementation, and has for the first time scientifically elucidated all problems arising in tackling these three revolutions.

For our party members and workers, no duty is more honorable than the duty to devote themselves to the struggle to brilliantly consummate the cause of converting the whole society to the chuche ideology by carrying it on from generation to generation under the banner of chuche bestowed upon them by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

The decisive guarantee for the victory of our revolution and the lasting prosperity of our fatherland lies in reverently attending the respected and beloved leader and upholding the leadership of the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il to the end.

Accelerating the three revolutions by keeping pace with the advance of the cause of our revolution is an honorable and rewarding task to further glorify the achievements of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il and consummate the cause of converting the whole society to the chuche ideology.

We should go forward to hasten the complete victory of socialism and the independent and peaceful reunification of our fatherland by holding aloft the revolutionary banner of the chuche ideology put in their arms by the great leader and effecting continuous innovations in the three revolutions.

For party members and workers to securely arm themselves with the chuche theory of revolution elucidated by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is a basic requirement in consummating the cause of converting the whole society to the chuche ideology. The revolutionary struggle is an undertaking carried out by the revolutionaries according to their faith, which can be strengthened only on the basis of a profound understanding of the principles of revolution. By having all party members and workers thoroughly comprehend the chuche theory of revolution, we should solidly prepare them as the chuche type communist revolutionaries who can correctly understand the inevitability of the development of revolution, confidently look into the future of the revolution, think and behave according to the intentions of the party under whatever adversity, and staunchly fight on along the road of the chuche revolution without the slightest wavering.

Nothing but victory and glory awaits on the road ahead for our people who move forward with exploring the frontiers of the chuche revolutionary cause, rallied tightly around the party and the leader, upholding the banner of the immortal chuche ideology originated by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

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The Respected and Beloved Comrade Kim Il-song Is the Great Leader Who Has Developed Our Party Into a Seasoned and Tested Chuche-Type Revolutionary Party

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[Text] Today our party takes pride in being a seasoned and tested revolutionary party which is leading the revolution and construction on an ever victorious course under the great banner of the chuche ideology.

Our people have been able to confidently move forward toward the future of communism under the leadership of their great party solely because they have waged the revolution with the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song at the head of their party. There can be no glorious revolutionary history of our party nor a more brilliant future apart from the sagacious leadership of the great leader.

The respected and beloved leader founded the glorious WPK and has strengthened and developed it into a seasoned and tested revolutionary party on the long rugged path of revolution, and this accomplishment represents his most valuable achievement.

Today, at this historic juncture when the WPK has grown and strengthened as a great guiding force capable of consummating the chuche revolutionary cause, all our party members and workers are significantly and most jubilantly marking the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's birthday.

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The respected Comrade Kim Il-song is the great leader who founded the WPK and has triumphantly led the struggle to strengthen and develop it.

To found, strengthen, and develop the party of the working class is a crucial issue in independently charting the destiny of the masses and lead the cause of revolution to victory.

Without a powerful and mighty party it is impossible to push the revolution and construction even a single step forward or to conceive of a brilliant future of the nation.

Only an outstanding leader can fulfill the cause of founding, strengthening, and developing the working class party. The greatness and the revolutionary trait of the leader of the working class are demonstrated in laying the sound foundations for leading the cause of revolution to victory by evolving the guiding ideology of revolution and founding, strengthening, and developing the party as a weapon for implementing this ideology.

The whole history of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's revolutionary activities is resplendently embroidered with his sagacious leadership and energetic struggle to found, strengthen, and develop a *chuche*-type party.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song founded the glorious WPK on the basis of the organizational and ideological preparations made in the fire of the arduous anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught:

"The Korean communists laid the sound foundations for organizing a revolutionary party through their protracted struggle and founded our party on these foundations." ("The Historical Experience in Building the WPK," monograph, p 3)

To found a party capable of providing seasoned and tested leadership for the revolutionary struggle, it is necessary to lay the sound organizational and ideological foundations. The task of building a working class party begins with the struggle to lay its organizational and ideological foundations. Without laying the full organizational and ideological foundations it will be impossible to found a revolutionary party; and a party not founded on such foundations will be unable to play its full role as the general staff of the revolution correctly leading the revolutionary struggle, or to avoid collapse in the face of the offensive of the counterrevolutionary forces. This truth is borne out by the historic lesson of the early communist movement in our country.

The early communist movement in our country was unable to advance on a smooth path of development due to the ruthless suppression by the Japanese imperialists and its own weaknesses and limitations. This inability had a serious effect on the struggle to found a revolutionary party, and the struggle had to go through difficulties and vicissitudes.

Seeing through the actual state of the early communist movement and struggle for national liberation, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song presented the ingenious thought that the cause of founding a working class party in our country should invariably be based on sound organizational and ideological preparations.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who embarked upon the road of revolution at an early age, organized the Down With Imperialism Union (DIU), a vanguard revolutionary organization, to wage the anti-Japanese national liberation struggle with the right fighting program by relying on the masses. The founding of the DIU marked the starting point of building a *chuche*-type revolutionary party in our country; and with the DIU founding, our glorious party began to take root. This was a historic event in laying the firm organizational and ideological foundations on which to build our party.

In the course of the anti-Japanese revolution, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song nurtured what would become the organizational backbone of the party to carry on the Korean revolution, securely preserved the purity and ideological unity of the ranks of communism, and solidly consolidated their grass-roots base, thereby laying the firm organizational and ideological foundations for the inauguration of our party. The organizational and ideological foundations laid by the great leader in the course of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle, together the shining revolutionary traditions founded by him in the fire of the protracted anti-Japanese revolution, provided the valuable source of energy for our party and revolution to press hard on the heels of the enemy in the face of whatever hardship. It was due to these adamant foundations that no sooner had the country been liberated than our people were able to found their party under such complex circumstances; and ever since its inception, the party has been able to strengthen and develop as a *chuche* type revolutionary party capable of leading the revolution and construction in a seasoned and tested manner while demonstrating its invincible might as the party in power.

After liberation, setting forth an accurate line on the founding of the party, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song brilliantly consummated the cause of founding the party by defeating all the obstructionist maneuvers of the class enemies, sectarians, and sectionals through an untiring, energetic struggle. The founding of our party was the brilliant culmination of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's long efforts to build the vanguard force of the revolution and marked the birth of the great guiding force charged with the noble mission of bringing our revolutionary cause to consummation.

The entire period since the founding of the party until now represents the proud journey undertaken by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song to strengthen and develop the party into a seasoned and tempered revolutionary party capable of triumphantly charting the future of communism.

Despite his busy schedule in leading the formidable historic cause called for by our times, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, bearing the fate of the country and people and all the heavy burdens of the revolution on his shoulders, always paid great attention particularly

to consolidating the party organizationally and ideologically, with the belief that the key to all victories lay in strengthening the party. The organizational and ideological consolidation of the party is of great significance in strengthening and developing our party into a seasoned and tested revolutionary party capable of discharging its mission as the staff of the revolution and strenuously pushing forward with the revolution and construction in the face of severe trials.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song elucidated the basic principle of party building that the working class party should always grip work with people as the basic requirement and should exercise political leadership over the entire society, and proceeding from this premise, he has sagaciously led our party in establish the unitary ideological system within it, forming a harmonious whole with the masses, and insuring the continuity of party building.

Under the wise leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, our party set forth the establishment of the unitary ideological system within the whole party as the basic line on party building and endeavored to further consolidate the ranks of the party and the revolution and step up partywide guidance in the revolution and construction. Defining infinite loyalty to the party and the leader as the most basic trait of party members, our party has permeated all its ranks with the unitary ideology, namely, the *chuche* ideology, by subordinating all party work and activities to the establishment of the unitary party ideology system, and on this basis, endeavored to further strengthen the unity of the party ranks in terms of their ideological will. While stepping up the work of establishing the unitary party ideology, our party has carried out the task of strengthening the ranks of cadres and party members in close conjunction with the task to establish a new revolutionary work system. As a result, there has come to be established the orderly work system by which the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's instructions and party policies permeate the whole party on time down to the base level, all party organizations and party members move as one under centralized discipline, and party lines and policies are supported and executed unconditionally.

Today, under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, the unitary ideological system has been firmly established within the party, and the whole party and all the people are bound together in adamant unity and solidarity on the basis of the *chuche* ideology. In other words, our party has become an invincible force, a militant party, which fights always brimming with virility and revolutionary ardor, knowing of no senescence or stagnation.

The Korean Communist movement, which began to chart its revolutionary path under the DUI banner in its early period, is currently in the very high stage of engaging in a vigorous struggle to achieve the ultimate victory of the revolution, with the goal of converting the

whole society to the *chuche* ideology. Our party, as the organizer and leader of this great struggle, has strengthened and grown into an ever victorious militant force which under the sagacious leadership of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, has reached higher levels than ever before in terms of ideology, organization, and blood ties with the masses. This proves that our party is a seasoned and tested *chuche* revolutionary party capable of bringing the *chuche* revolutionary cause to consummation, in the face of whatever difficulties.

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The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has strengthened and developed our party into a revolutionary party possessing a seasoned and tested leadership ability acquired through the complex and arduous struggle of leading our people and party.

Comrade Kim Chong-il, member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee and secretary of the party Central Committee, pointed out:

"Our party is an ever victorious party seasoned and tested in a protracted fierce struggle; it is a great party enjoying the highest authority and dignity."

The working class party is the political staff standing in the van of the revolutionary struggle to realize the working masses' desire for independent life. The party formulates all strategies and tactics for revolution and construction, organizes the struggle of the masses, and advances the revolutionary cause of the working class. To discharge its mission and to play its role satisfactorily, the party should have a skillful and tested leadership capability to lead the revolution and construction on an ever victorious path. The working class party's skillful leadership capability manifests itself in party work and party activities in concrete terms. Only a party capable of performing all party work and party activities in a seasoned and tested manner is able to strengthen and develop itself into a revolutionary party capable of brilliantly accomplishing its historic missions with invincible might.

The path traveled by our party has been a really arduous and glorious course of struggle. It has been a formidable journey of creation and change in which the party had to carry out all revolutionary tasks for national, class, and human liberation on its own initiative; and it has been the course of a severe class struggle to crush the crafty and vicious machinations of the class enemies within and without and all varieties and stripes of opportunists. Yet our party has been able to achieve epoch-making miracles and unceasing upsurges in all aspects of the revolution and construction and usher in a grand new era of prosperity, the glorious era of the WPK, in this land by exercising its seasoned and tested leadership.

The fate of the revolution and construction depends wholly on the leadership role of the party, and party leadership is the basic factor in winning victory in revolution and construction. It is the working class party's important duty to lead revolution and construction. The seasoned and tested leadership trait of the party finds its concentrated expression in party activities in leading revolution and construction.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has judiciously led our party so that it can formulate correct lines and policies and skillfully organize and lead the efforts at their implementation.

The party's lines and policies are the strategies, tactics, and the guidelines for struggle to push revolution and construction. Only by formulating and presenting the right party lines and policies will the revolutionary struggle and construction be able to successfully proceed in the right direction.

Under the sagacious leadership of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, our party has independently set forth all its lines and policies on the basis of its own creed and its own original judgment to suit the actual conditions in our country. That is why all the lines and policies of our party serve as the accurate guidelines and powerful motive force for the revolution and construction. All our party lines and policies—such as the basic line on socialist economic construction calling for the simultaneous development of light industry and agriculture while giving priority to the development of the heavy industry; the policy of revamping the relations of production on a socialist pattern prior to technological reform; the line on three revolutions, ideological, technological, and cultural—fully accord with the aspirations and desires of the masses and the mature demands of the developing revolution and embody the sagacity of our party's leadership in solving all problems in a creative manner by boldly departing from established conventions.

Under the tested leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, our party has skillfully organized and led the struggle to implement its lines and policies.

Party lines and policies can be successfully implemented only when the mass of people accept them as their own and voluntarily launch into struggle to implement them. While skillfully carrying out organizational and political work to vigorously organize and mobilize the creative wisdom of the masses in the implementation of its policies, our party has stepped up propaganda on its policies among its members and workers so that they may clearly understand the essential nature and validity of these policies as well as the methods of their implementation and thus accept them as their own. As a result, by giving full play to the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance and fortitude with the consciousness of being the masters responsible for the Korean revolution, our

people are implementing all party lines and policies without deflection and accelerating socialist construction at an unusually fast pace, without the slightest deviation or meandering.

Establishing the art of leadership is an important problem in party building and party activity. If party organizations and functionaries fail to have the right leadership art, they will not be able to properly organize and mobilize the masses to successfully implement party lines and policies, no matter how correct these lines and policies may be. The working class party, only when it has a skilled and tested leadership art, can become a militant vanguard organization capable of skillfully organizing and mobilizing broad circles of people in revolutionary struggle and construction.

In the early days of the revolution, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song created a people-oriented revolutionary leadership art and since then has brilliantly introduced it in party activities while leading the arduous and complex revolutionary struggle and construction at all stages.

By applying without deflection the people oriented revolutionary leadership art created by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song in the protracted practical struggle, our party has strengthened and developed itself into a seasoned and tested revolutionary party capable of leading the revolution and construction on the high road of victory.

Under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, there has come to be established in the party the revolutionary work system by which the whole party moves as one according to the intentions of the party center. Also established were the revolutionary ethos and ironclad discipline of implementing party decisions and instructions unconditionally and thoroughly, without even an inch of deflection. As a result, our party has become such a militant party that there is nothing it cannot accomplish once makes up its mind—a seasoned revolutionary party capable of leading revolution and construction in continual upswing, knowing not the slightest stagnation or standstill.

Always boldly setting a high goal and waging an aggressive battle to achieve it by exercising a matchless command and deployment skill is an important work style that our party maintains in leading revolution and construction. In our country all affairs, such as party, state, economic, cultural, and foreign affairs, are proceeding smoothly; important national events are observed as grand, honorable political festivals; and successive miracles and innovations are being achieved in important battlefields of socialist construction. This impressive reality is unimaginable apart from the organizational strength of our party.

Our party is a revolutionary party that is not afraid of obstacles, never hesitates or wavers in the face of a trial, and likes revolution and struggle. The road of revolution was long and rough, but our people have kept on fighting gallantly in high spirit, always confident of victory. This was because they have had our party, the great vanguard, and because they have followed its great leadership.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has sagaciously led our party to band the mass of people tightly around it by exercising a seasoned and tested leadership.

To band the mass of people around the party is an important requirement in building a working class party and constitutes a decisive guarantee for strengthening the ranks of the party and the revolution. Only by binding broad circles of people around it and building a firm mass base will the working class party be able to possess an invincible might and successfully push forward with the revolutionary struggle and construction by relying on the inexhaustible energies of the masses of people.

It is not easy for the working class party that has seized power to bind broad circles of people around it. This task can be accomplished only by tested leadership capable of skillfully waging a struggle to thoroughly prevent any tendency toward bureaucracy and administrative mannerism that may possibly arise in the party, as well as a struggle to establish a people oriented revolutionary style of activity.

As early as the first days of his activity to explore the road ahead for the Korean revolution, the respected and beloved leader Kim Il-song set forth the idea of carrying out our revolution by relying on the masses; and after liberation he made it possible to thoroughly implement the revolutionary mass line by clearly elucidating problems arising in implementing this line at each developmental stage of the revolution and by sagaciously leading the struggle for its implementation.

In the long, rough course of the revolution under the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, our party has meticulously implemented the revolutionary mass line by continually improving and strengthening work with the masses and by carrying out all party work and party activities thoroughly for the sake of the masses.

Our party has set forth people oriented policies and executed them without fail at all stages of the revolution and in all aspects of social life. Before adopting whatever decision, our party directed its primary concern to the demands of the people, and before building each factory, it considered their benefits. All the policies pursued by our party have been intended for the interests and happiness of the people. Looking after every corner of the people's livelihood and paying attention to even minor problems in life and solving them in all sincerity

is our party's immutable position. That is why our people wholly entrust their fate to our party and do not hesitate to go through fire and water to respond to whatever call of the party.

Always giving full play to the creative fervor of the masses, our party has carried out immense revolutionary and construction tasks and overcome whatever obstacle and trial stood in its way by relying on the efforts of the masses. By organizing and mobilizing the people, our party splendidly accomplished various stages of social revolution and completed the historic task of socialist industrialization in a short period of time. Our party and people have gone through manifold difficulties and trials together and dauntlessly fought on for the victory of the revolution. The greater the obstacle and trial that stood in its way, the deeper our party went among the masses and overcame them by relying on their energies and wisdom. It was by relying on the energies of the masses that our party was able to overcome the severe trial of the fatherland liberation war, and it was also by relying on the energies of the masses that our party was able to crush the vicious offensive of the antiparty, counterrevolutionary factionalists in the postwar period. All the victories and successes that our people have achieved in the revolution and construction by solidly banding together around the party and by breaking through manifold obstacles and trials, powerfully demonstrate the invincible might of our party, which has brilliantly implemented the mass line by exercising its tested leadership.

Our party has courageously charted the arduous road of self-reliance, independence, and socialist construction under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song ever since it took upon the responsibility for the fate of the Korean revolution and the Korean people on the day it was founded. In this course, our party indeed has achieved such a massive record of achievements that will shine for centuries to come, and it has grown and strengthened into a dignified revolutionary party capable of carrying out all party work and party activities in a mature and polished manner.

Our party, because it has been tested and steeled on the anvil of the unprecedentedly complex revolutionary struggle, has come into possession of such peerless militancy that it can dauntlessly accomplish whatever herculean task may confront it and of such an invincible might that it can face whatever severe difficulty without hesitation and break through it. In the long period of revolutionary struggle, our party has won the absolute support and trust of the masses and strengthened and developed itself into an invincible party whose unity and solidarity are rockfirm and which has a rich experience and a tested leadership capability. This is the most precious of all shining successes our party has achieved in party building and party activities under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

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The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has strengthened and developed our party into a powerful revolutionary party capable of carrying on the chuche cause from generation to generation until consummation.

Comrade Kim Chong-il, member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee and secretary of the party Central Committee, points out:

"Today a solid organizational and ideological foundation for strengthening and developing our party forever as a chuche-type revolutionary party has been laid in our party, along with a strong leadership system capable of brilliantly inheriting and developing the chuche revolutionary cause." ("The WPK Is a Chuche-Type Revolutionary Party Inheriting the Tradition of the Glorious 'DUI,'" monograph, p 18)

The cause of socialism and communism is a long-range undertaking that will be carried on from generation to generation. The revolutionary cause of the working class will be brought to ultimate victory by the seasoned and tested leadership of the party that carries on the cause of the leader who pioneered the road of revolution. The long history of the communist movement clearly indicates that when the working-class party is loyal to the leader and to his cause and has a seasoned and tested leadership capability, it can creditably fulfill its lofty historical mission. Accordingly, only the party that remains loyal to the revolutionary cause of the working class from generation to generation and possesses a seasoned and tested leadership capability can become a genuine revolutionary party.

On the basis of a scientific analysis of the inevitable demands of our revolution as it proceeds over a long difficult period, and from the firm point of view of consummating communist construction, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has strengthened and developed our party into an invincible party, a seasoned and tested chuche-type revolutionary party, capable of carrying the chuche cause through to consummation.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song defined as the most important basic task in inheriting and developing the chuche revolutionary cause to strengthen and develop the party as the pilot of the socialist and communist society and exerted great efforts to solidly consolidate the organizational and ideological foundations of the party and to establish its leadership system. Under the wise leadership of the great leader, our party has satisfactorily settled the question of inheriting the revolutionary cause; the party's top echelon has been consolidated solidly to implement the leader's ideologies and follow his leadership; and the party's organizational and ideological foundations and leadership system have been soundly established. As a result, today our party has strengthened and developed into a seasoned and tested

party, a great pilot capable of confidently guiding our people toward the future of communism, taking full responsibility for the fate of the Korean revolution and people. Our party has been leading the Korean revolution toward its ultimate victory under the lofty banner of continuous revolution, and this represents the precious fruition of the sagacious leadership of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who looking into the future of the revolution and the nation, has strengthened and developed our party into an invincible party.

Our party is a revolutionary party which, regarding the consummation of the revolutionary cause pioneered by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song as its greatest mission, is struggling to accomplish this mission.

Soundly preserving its unity and solidarity based on the anti-Japanese revolutionary tradition and on the chuche ideology and continue to glorify all the revolutionary achievements of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song for generations to come is the consistent principle to which our party adheres in inheriting and consummating the revolutionary cause. There cannot be even the slightest wavering in this principled position of our party no matter how far the revolution has advanced and whatever difficulty may confront it.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is leading our people's historic march toward the full realization of the cause of socialism and communism under the revolutionary banner of converting the whole society to the chuche ideology.

Carrying on the chuche revolutionary cause from generation to generation until consummation under the leadership of the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il is an absolute demand of our revolution and our party's immutable principled position. Thanks to our party's principled position and tested leadership, ultimate victory is assured of the chuche revolutionary cause pioneered by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song has strengthened and developed our party into a seasoned and tested revolutionary party responsible for the Korean revolution and capable of consummating it and this success constitutes the most significant development that provides momentum for an epochal turnaround in the communist movement and in the advancement of our revolution. With this great party leading our revolution, splendid prospects have been opened for the future of our country and people, and our people's revolutionary struggle have become all the more rewarding. The veteran revolutionary fighters who have walked down the rigorous road of revolution under the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song since the first days of the anti-Japanese struggle, and all the party members and people who have constantly walked down the road of

revolution up to now—through the post-liberation democratic construction period, the fierce fatherland liberation war, the postwar reconstruction period, and the socialist revolution—are now brimming with infinite pride and happiness in following the leadership of the great party, which is charting the future of communism.

It is our people's ironclad will and determination to wholly entrust their fate and the fate of their prosperity to the great and glorious party possessing an invincible might and to fight to the end under the banner of the party.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song—who embarked upon the road of revolution in his youth and charted the bright road ahead for the revolution and brilliantly fulfilled the cause of founding the party—has brought up our party as the most dignified, seasoned, and tested chuche-type revolutionary party on the anvil of the severe and arduous revolutionary struggle.

All the honors and authority enjoyed by our party today derive from the high authority and honors held by the respected and beloved leader. Every thing that is dear to our party and people is directly linked to the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's wise leadership.

Looking up to the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song from generation to generation holds the key to forever strengthening and developing our party as a party permanently engaged in revolution, a chuche-type revolutionary party possessing a seasoned and tested leadership capability, and to achieving the ultimate victory of the revolution and lasting national prosperity.

Like our martyrs of the anti-Japanese revolution in bygone days, we should call for the protecting and defending of the leader of the revolution as a crucial task influencing the fate of the country and people and become the dauntless revolutionary fighters who will never allow even the slightest deflection nor yield even an inch in this task. All party cadres and members should more firmly establish the revolutionary leadership view and reverentially attend the leader from a clear point of view and with a clear attitude, and constantly arm themselves with the great leader's revolutionary ideology. At the same time, they should do their work according to the great leader style work method by emulating the chuche based leadership which the respected and beloved leader created on the arduous road of revolution.

Upholding the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il's leadership with infinite loyalty to the party is an important requirement in triumphantly advancing our revolution on the road carved out by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song and in bringing our revolution to consummation.

Our party is the great leading force that organizes and leads our people's struggle to fulfill the revolutionary cause of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song. Only by doggedly keeping on fighting under the leadership of the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il, with stalwart, absolute political faith in the party, will we be able to forever glorify our party as a chuche-type revolutionary party and bring the revolutionary cause pioneered by the great leader to consummation.

Firmly insuring the party's leadership of the revolutionary struggle and construction projects is an inevitable requirement for the development of the party and the revolution. We should further consolidate the organizational and ideological foundations of the party, accept party lines, policies, and decisions as most valid and thoroughly implement them with the spirit of absoluteness and unconditionality, and more soundly establish such strict revolutionary discipline that the whole party, the whole army, and all the people will move as one under party leadership. Through these efforts we should strengthen and develop our party into a virile, militant, promising, seasoned and tested party capable of vigorously leading the chuche cause.

Today our party wants us to consolidate the unity and cohesion of party still more rocklike, in conformity with the realistic demands of our revolution at its new stage of development, and bring about a new great upswing on every front of socialist construction, upholding the revolutionary banner of the great chuche ideology. It is an important task for us to strengthen party leadership over the revolution and construction and fight for the complete victory of socialism.

Nothing but victory and glory awaits our people, who are confidently advancing toward the dazzling future under the sagacious leadership of the party and the leader, always brimming with confidence in victory.

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The Massive Record of the Great Leader Comrade Kim Il-song's Valuable Achievements in the Cause of Building a Revolutionary Government
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[Text] Since he embarked upon the road of revolution in his youth, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has accumulated a massive record of achievements for our times and humanity by devoting all his life to the sacred cause of revolution for our country and people.

The entire course of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's revolutionary activity extending over 60 years is resplendent with the valuable achievements he has made in resolving the question of sovereignty in the most brilliant manner and in strengthening and developing

the government of the republic into a powerful weapon for socialist construction through his outstanding activity in the ideological-theoretical field and through his impressive activity in the practice of the revolution.

There could have been no restoration of the sovereignty and no attainment of prosperity in our fatherland, nor any founding, strengthening and development of our republic without the sagacious leadership of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

Today our republic strongly imparts its dignity as a powerful socialist independent state, self-reliant, self-supporting, and capable of defending itself, with a solid political, economic, and military foundation, and our people enjoy an independent and creative life with genuine sovereignty in their hands for the first time in their history.

The epoch-making changes taking place in our country and the independent and creative life our people enjoy under the banner of our republic represents the shining fruit of the sagacious leadership of the great leader, who established a new type of people's government and has strengthened and developed it by putting the immortal *chuche* ideology into practice.

Through a long arduous and glorious struggle, our people have come to comprehend the fact as their unshakable creed and as a truth in struggle and life—the fact that they owe their prosperous fatherland, their rewarding life, and their dazzling future to the sagacious and tested leadership of the great leader and the party.

While most significantly marking the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's birth anniversary as a grand political festival that will shine forever in the history of our country and while looking back with deep emotion upon the great leader's immortal achievements in the cause of building the revolutionary government of the working class, all our party members and workers are renewing their determination to carry on the *chuche* revolutionary cause from generation to generation until consummation.

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The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song explored the untrodden path to solve the question of sovereignty and founded a new type of people's government in our country for the first time in history by applying the great *chuche* ideology and thus made an immortal contribution to the building of the revolutionary government of the working class.

The question concerning sovereignty is a fundamental question in revolution. Revolution is a struggle to secure independent life for the masses, and their independent life is guaranteed by state sovereignty. The independent rights of the people find their concentrated expression in

state sovereignty; accordingly, the question of sovereignty should be correctly solved in order to enable the working masses to enjoy independent life.

Since society was divided into classes and the state came into being, the working masses have constantly waged an arduous struggle to win genuine sovereignty. History provides the lesson that when a genuine state power representing the interests of broad circles of working masses is established, consolidated, and developed, it will be possible to preserve the national sovereignty of the country and achieve national prosperity.

Throughout his course of leading the revolution, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has always paid more profound attention to the question of sovereignty than any other question and done everything in his power to solve it correctly.

Most important of all the achievements of the great leader in solving the question of sovereignty is his illumination of the broad way for establishing the new type of genuine revolutionary government by presenting his thought, theory, and line on building a *chuche*-based government.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught:

"In the early days of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle, we set forth, on the basis of a scientific analysis of class relations in our society, the line of establishing a *chuche*-oriented government calling for the establishment of a people's government with a worker-peasant alliance led by the working class as its foundation and by relying on a united front of broad circles of people." ("Historical Experience in Building the WPK," monograph, pp 76-77)

Choosing the right form of government is one of the important questions of fundamental significance in building the government of the working class. Only by solving this question correctly will it be possible to establish a genuine people's government capable of protecting the interests of the working masses and representing their independent rights.

In the early days of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song at the historic Chialun Conference set forth this original line: that the government to be established in the future should be a new form of people's government capable of protecting the interests of broad circles of people including the workers and peasants.

This line was one of establishing a government on the basis of the worker-peasant alliance led by the working class and with the support of the united front of broad circles of anti-Japanese forces, and as such it was a just line brightly illuminating the way for the establishment

of a genuine revolutionary government in conformity with the characteristics of the revolution in our country and the demands of the times.

A genuine revolutionary government can fully discharge its mission as a weapon for enabling the masses to realize their independence only when it has the full form suitable to the characteristics of the revolution and the demands of the times.

The chuche-oriented government formation line is a just line which was set forth, above all, on the basis of the inevitable demands of our revolution in its development, the wishes of our people, and the socioeconomic conditions in our country.

In bygone days our country was a semifeudal colonial society which was utterly barred from capitalistic development due to the Japanese imperialists' colonial rule and which was dominated by various feudalistic relations. As a consequence, in our country we had to stage an anti-imperialist, anti-feudalistic democratic revolution, which was neither a bourgeois revolution nor a socialist revolution. The characteristics of our revolution and the revolutionary mission confronting our people demanded that broad circles of anti-imperialist forces, including the working class and the peasantry, be banded together as a single revolutionary force, while requiring it as an urgent task to solve the question concerning the type of government in conformity with the characteristics and demands of our revolution. The chuche oriented line on establishing a new type of people's government was the revolutionary and scientific one which would provide a successful solution to this important question raised by our revolution. Even in the post-liberation days when our revolution was in that strategic stage in which we had to thoroughly carry out the revolutionary tasks of the anti-imperialist, anti-feudalistic democratic revolution on a nationwide scale, we had to keep a firm grip of this line as the most legitimate line.

The chuche-oriented line on establishing a new form of people's government is also one that opened the dazzling prospect for setting up a revolutionary government suited to the demands of the new, changed, historic age, the age of independence, in which the social and political prospects of our revolution were widened as never before.

Our is a new era, the age of independence, in which the masses, who were a mere object of history in bygone days, have now emerged as masters of their own fate and of the world and are carving out their own destiny. As on all other matters, our age has raised numerous theoretical and practical problems that need to be solved to establish the government of the working class. Especially, the new environment marked by an unprecedented widening of the social class base of the revolution urgently demanded the establishment of a new form of government, namely, a people's government in which the leadership of the working class would be firmly

established and in which all classes and strata aspiring for the establishment of a new society would be allowed to participate. The chuche-oriented line on the establishment of a people's government became the most legitimate one which made it possible to establish a genuine government of the working class precisely in conformity with this demand of our era.

Indeed the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's discovery of the new form of government by applying the thought and theory on establishing a chuche-oriented government constitutes an immortal contribution to the cause of building the revolutionary government of the working class.

While breaking through difficult and complex obstacles standing in the way of the revolution the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song energetically organized and led the struggle to fully implement the chuche-oriented line on establishing a people's government.

In the period of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song set up a new type of people's revolutionary government in the guerrilla zones along the Tumen River and wisely led its activities and in this way built the prototype of the people's government which would be established in the fatherland after liberation. In addition, in the thick of the anti-Japanese struggle he trained numerous core personnel who would become the backbone of the future people's government. The experience in establishing and operating the people's revolutionary government in the guerrilla zones and the valuable achievement in training the backbone of the future people's government in the period of the glorious anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle, constitute a priceless revolutionary treasure in building our people's government.

This valuable treasure attained in the period of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle enabled us to successfully solve the question of sovereignty after liberation by breaking through manifold obstacles.

Finding a correct solution to the question of sovereignty in the post-liberation days became an urgent requirement under the circumstances surrounding the revolution in our country. The U.S. imperialists, who occupied South Korea in place of the Japanese imperialists, enlisted reactionary forces in a vicious scheme to scuttle our people's struggle to establish a people's government. To add insult to injury, under leftist and rightist slogans, all sorts of opportunists also raised many obstacles to our people's struggle to solve the question of sovereignty. Many people had no clear idea as to whither liberated Korea should head or how to proceed.

On the basis of a scientific analysis of the complex situation created after liberation and the objective demands of the revolution in its development, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song set forth the line of forming a united front of all parties, all groups, all strata seeking

to build a new country and of establishing a democratic people's republic, a people's government led by the working class. This line was the just line which brightly illumined the road all the Korean people should take and enabled them to solve the question of power on a firm mass base by awakening and banding together broad circles of people. This line dealt a telling blow to the opportunists in those days who by making varying demands such as that a socialist revolution be carried out and that a bourgeois republic be established and so schemed to split the forces of revolution and confuse the people who vigorously rose up to build the country.

The great leader established the North Korean Provisional People's Committee on the basis of the line of building a democratic people's republic, and this was a shining embodiment of the chuche-oriented line on government formation. With the North Korean Provisional People's Committee established, our people's centuries-old cherished aspiration to have their own sovereignty came to be brilliantly realized and it became possible to successfully accomplish the anti-imperialist, antifeudalistic democratic revolution in a short period of time and turn the northern part of the republic into a powerful democratic revolutionary base armed with a people's democratic system.

Establishing the people's government after liberation and moving forward to strengthen and develop it so that it could successfully accomplish revolutionary tasks at various stages of the revolution occupied an important place in the great leader's leadership in building a chuche-oriented revolutionary government.

The independent status of the working masses is not attainable at any single stage of development in the revolution. It can only be accomplished through the historical process by which the working class comes into power and fulfills the cause of socialism and communism. Inasmuch as the independent status of the working masses is guaranteed by state sovereignty, the question of power should be solved accurately to suit the revolutionary tasks in every developmental stage of the revolution in order to fully ensure their independent status.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song creditably solved the question of power to suit the revolutionary tasks at each phase of development in the revolution and in the direction of strengthening the people's government. As all conditions became ripe for gradually moving into socialism upon completion of the anti-imperialist, antifeudalistic democratic revolution in the northern half of the republic, the great leader wisely led the struggle to strengthen and develop the government which had carried out the dictatorial function of a people's democracy in the stage of the anti-imperialist, antifeudalistic democratic revolution, into one which would carry out the functions of a proletarian dictatorship in the stage of executing the socialist revolution. The North Korean People's Committee, the first proletarian dictatorship created by the great leader, served as a powerful weapon

for further consolidating the victories won through the anti-imperialist, antifeudalistic democratic revolution in our country and for successfully accomplishing the tasks of the period of transition to socialism.

In the thick of the nationwide struggle to oppose the ever-intensifying colonial enslavement policy of the U.S. imperialists and their lackeys and their maneuvers to split our nation, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song founded the DPRK, a unified state power, in September 1948 on the basis of his rich experience in establishing a people's government and the immense social and economic change that had taken place in the northern half of the republic, and according to the unanimous will of the Korean people. The founding of the DPRK was the brilliant culmination of the unanimous desire of all the Korean people to establish a genuine people's state and marked a great event in the development of our revolution and in the history of our people. As a result of the establishment of the republic, our people became the resourceful people of an independent state who would from now on build their country by their own efforts with sovereignty in their hands, and came into possession of a powerful weapon of revolution which would enable them to thoroughly fulfill the cause of socialism and communism.

In this way the great leader carved the new path for building a revolutionary government of the working class and brilliantly solved the question of sovereignty in a short period of time after liberation—herein lies the sagacity of his tested leadership and his valuable contribution to the cause of founding the government of the working class.

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The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has strengthened and developed the government of the republic into a genuine revolutionary government, a powerful weapon for socialist and communist construction, which guarantees an independent and creative life to the working masses.

Comrade Kim Chong-il, member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee and secretary of the party Central Committee, pointed out:

"Our party has taken steps to strengthen the people's government and enhance its role to suit the new environment and demands in each period of development in the revolution, thereby enabling this government to strike its roots deep among people in all circles and strata and satisfactorily fulfill its duties." ("Let Us Move Forward Holding Aloft the Banner of Marxism-Leninism and the Chuche Ideology," monograph, p 24)

The question of sovereignty cannot be solved once and for all simply by establishing a government. To correctly solve the question of sovereignty, the working class

should not stop at establishing a new government but strengthen it in every way possible. Only by so doing, will it be possible to defend the gains of the revolution to the end and consummate the working people's cause of independent life by continuing to powerfully advance the revolution.

Attaching great importance to strengthening state sovereignty, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has devoted himself heart and soul to developing our people's government into the most revolutionary, militant, and invincible revolutionary government.

By setting forth the immortal *chuche* ideology, above all else, as the guiding principle of the government of the republic, the great leader has turned the state power into a powerful weapon capable of triumphantly leading the revolution and construction without the slightest deviation and deflection.

The might and dignity of the government of a particular state depend on the guiding ideology on which that state is founded. Accordingly, having the right guiding ideology is a fundamental problem arising in building the government of a particular state and in the activities of that government. Only by having a scientific and revolutionary guiding ideology as the guiding thought and principle governing its activities will the government of a state be able to precisely formulate and execute all its lines and policies and firmly maintain principles and consistency in all state activities.

The immortal *chuche* ideology is the firm guiding principle of the government of our republic. All lines and policies of the government of our republic are based on the *chuche* ideology and permeated with it. Because it upholds the *chuche* ideology as its only guiding ideology and ideal, the government of our republic has been able to strengthen and develop itself into a powerful government founded on a firm political, economic, and military foundation.

Also important in the great leader's leadership in strengthening and developing the government of the republic as a genuine revolutionary government was the fact that he has turned our people's government into a powerful weapon for guaranteeing independent rights, creative activities, and a happy material and cultural life to the working masses and reliably protecting their independent and creative life.

The working masses are the mainstay of history and the motive power for social development. Therefore, it is incumbent upon the people's government to be a genuine people's government capable of protecting the interests of the working masses, representing their independent rights, and serving them.

The great leader has wisely led the government of our republic to regard the promotion and protection of the interests of the masses as its foremost duty and to fully guarantee genuine democratic freedoms and rights and happiness in all the political, economic, and cultural fields.

Under the great leader's sagacious leadership, our people's government has become a genuine people's government protecting the independent rights of the working masses and representing their interests.

Independent rights are of primary importance to man. For man, there can be no independent and creative life without independent rights. Only when people have independent rights can they occupy their place as masters in the revolution and construction, play their role as masters, and live in manner worthy of human beings.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, defining socialist democracy as the basic way of government activity, has wisely led the government to thoroughly implement socialist democracy, thereby enabling our people's government to become the protector of the interests of the masses, the representative of their independent rights, and a revolutionary government which thoroughly realizes the will and demands of the masses.

Satisfaction of the independent aspirations and demands of the people is the unalterable rubric for all the activities of the government of our republic today. It is the unalterable principle governing the activities of the government of the republic, a *chuche*-type revolutionary government, to fully reflect the aspirations and demands of the people in formulating each line and policy and give priority to the interests of the people in organizing and carrying out all programs. Our people's government has become a true revolutionary government which regards it as its duty to fight to substantially guarantee all rights and freedoms of social and political activity to our people, who in bygone days were subjected to all kinds of mistreatment and scorn because they were deprived of their statehood and sovereignty.

Enhancing the creative capability of the masses is at once a basic problem in winning victory in the revolution and construction and an important requirement for the people's government in discharging its honorable duty in the service of the people. By bringing all members of the society into state organizations and banding them together as a single political force through education and indoctrination, the government of our republic has strengthened and developed itself as the organizer who gives full play to the inexhaustible creativeness of the masses.

Important in the great leader's leadership in strengthening and developing the people's government as a genuine revolutionary government which guarantees independent and creative life to the people is the fact that he has

led the government to correctly carry out its function and role as the head of the national household responsible for the material and cultural life of the people.

The material and cultural life of the people, together with their political life, constitute an important part of social life. The independent and creative life of the masses, as well their political freedom and rights, are inseparable from a happy material and cultural life. It follows that in socialist society keen attention should always be paid to systematically improving the living standard of the workers by accelerating economic and cultural construction. Only by doing so will it be possible to securely guarantee a place as the masters of the state and society to the working masses and provide them with an independent and creative life in a substantive manner.

It is the people's government, a powerful weapon for the revolution and construction, that firmly secures a happy material and cultural life for the working masses.

Under socialism the people's government is fully responsible not only for all tasks in the revolution and construction but also for the material and cultural life of the workers, and is also charged with the noble duty to continually improve the living standard of the people.

In socialist society the state's power organs take command of basic means of production and manage them; organize and carry out production in a planned manner; and organize and supervise the whole spectrum of the national economy, including production, income distribution, and consumption, with a firm grip. Accordingly, only when people's power organs step up their guidance in economic and cultural construction, will it possible to systematically improve the material and cultural life of the people and enable the workers to devote themselves to striving for the prosperity and development of the socialist system with a keen consciousness as masters of the society.

In the entire course of leading the revolutionary struggle and construction programs, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has always attached great importance to improving the people's material and cultural living standards and taken all necessary steps to have government agencies creditably discharge their responsibilities as the head of the national household responsible for the livelihood of the workers.

The great leader has always given the first priority to the improvement of the people's livelihood in setting each line and policy at each stage of development in the revolution and seen to it that people's power organs thoroughly implement this line and policy. The line of building a self-supporting economy, the line of simultaneously developing the light industry and agriculture while giving priority to the development of the heavy industry, and all other lines and policies of our party have enabled our people's power organs to maintain a proper balance between the prospective demands of the

revolution and construction and the immediate demands of the people in daily living and lay a sound material foundation for accelerating socialist economic construction by our own efforts, our own technology, and our own resources and constantly improving the material and cultural living standards of our people.

Today our people's government has a powerful material and technological foundation for improving the people's living standard in a responsible manner, and its agencies have an orderly system of operation dovetailed to this foundation. Being firmly established among government functionaries is the revolutionary habit of striving to remove on time all obstacles encountered in the people's daily life and meet their demands, regarding such striving as their revolutionary duty.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is wisely leading people's power organs to properly fulfil their function and role as protector of the independent and creative life of the working masses.

The struggle to enable the working masses to lead independent life is carried out in conjunction with the struggle against the hostile elements. In socialist society, the remnants of the overthrown exploiting class and subversive elements still remain. So does the danger of aggression by the foreign imperialists. It is impossible to protect the independent and creative life of the people in socialist society without strengthening the function of the people's government as the weapons of class struggle.

Through a profound analysis of the characteristics of the class struggle in our country which is all the more acute and complex due to the incessant aggressive and subversive maneuvers of the U.S. imperialists and their lackeys, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has wisely organized and led all our people to become class conscious and to wage a struggle against the hostile elements as a mass movement, while enhancing the role of judicial agencies. The great leader has also seen to it that legal norms and codes were perfected in every aspect of national and social life and that indoctrination in the spirit of obeying laws were carried out among the masses in close conjunction with legal control. The sagacious leadership exercised by the great leader has enabled our people's government to strengthen and develop itself into a powerful weapon for the proletarian dictatorship capable of reliably protecting the independent and creative life of the working masses.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has also created the Taean work system and other new economic management systems and taken epochal steps to further develop our socialist national culture from the church standpoint, thereby enabling people's power organs to constantly enhance their functions and roles as economic organizers and cultural instructors. As a result, the

government of the republic has been strengthened and developed as a powerful political weapon for providing proper organizational guidance in economic and cultural construction.

The valuable achievements made by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song in building the revolutionary government has been brilliantly inherited and further developed by the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il.

The dear Comrade Kim Chong-il has made it possible to further strengthen the functions and roles of government organizations by energetically organizing and leading the struggle to strengthen the people's government to suit the new demands of the revolution, at a time when the historical cause of converting the whole society to the chuche ideology has come to the fore.

The dear Comrade Kim Chong-il has wisely led government organizations to realize the great leader's unitary leadership in their work and activities. As a result, such strict discipline and order have been established that all government organizations move as one under the same ideology and the same orders and directives. This provides a firm guarantee for enabling our people's government to creditably perform its functions and roles as a revolutionary weapon for transforming all aspects of social life in accordance with the demands of the chuche ideology.

The dear Comrade Kim Chong-il has also published many documents including those on tightening socialist judicial life to enable government organizations to step up guidance in socialist judicial life and establish the spirit of obeying laws in the whole society. This has resulted in the further strengthening of the functions and roles of government organizations.

The active implementation of the great leader style work method by government functionaries to suit the requirements for the conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology occupies a special niche in the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il's leadership. As a result of the vigorous struggle waged by government functionaries to implement the great leader style work method, they now make it a rule to go down to the base level to search ways for the implementation of party policies while living with the masses, and they have established the revolutionary habit of grasping and satisfying the demands of the masses on time.

Indeed the sagacious and tested leadership of the great leader and the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il is the source of invincible energy capable of strengthening and developing the government of the republic into a political arm for protecting the interests of the working masses and representing their independent rights, namely, into a genuine people's power faithfully serving the masses.

The valuable record of achievements made by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song in the cause of creating a revolutionary government of the working class by implementing the immortal chuche ideology constitutes a common treasure of all the peoples engaged in revolution, including our people.

These valuable experience and achievements gained in building a revolutionary government provide all the peoples who are struggling to achieve national independence and build a new society with firm prospects for establishing a genuine people's government capable of assuring them of an independent and creative life.

It is the highest honor and greatest happiness for our people to live and work in their chuche-oriented fatherland under party leadership, looking up as their leader to the respected and beloved Comrade Kim Il-song, who enjoys high authority and dignity among the progressive people of the world thanks to his massive record of immortal achievements made for our times and humanity.

Owing to the sagacious leadership of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il, our people's government has been able to strengthen and develop itself into an invincible revolutionary government having the greatest militancy and vitality, namely, an independent socialist government, while our people have become the most proud people capable of charting their own destiny independently and creatively as masters of the state and society.

Our people, who enjoy their true dignity and rights as human beings for the first time in their history, through their actual experience, keenly realize in the depth of their hearts the preciousness of our people's government, which is brilliantly implementing the great leader's line of building a chuche oriented government. That is why all our people today are determined to consolidate the government of the republic evermore solidly, with the firm conviction that a decisive guarantee for achieving the lasting prosperity of their country and their own happiness lies in looking up to the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song as their leader and following the leadership of the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il.

Today the government of the republic is faced with the sacred task of vigorously accelerating the revolution and construction under the banner of the chuche ideology to achieve the complete victory of socialism in the northern half of the republic as an immediate goal and eventually to realize the independent, peaceful reunification of the country.

The struggle to win the complete victory of socialism is a difficult and complex one to remake man, society, and nature, a struggle which proceeds in conjunction with the unceasing class struggle.

Only by strengthening the people's government and enhancing its role will it be possible to band broad circles of people tightly together as a single political force, bring their creativeness into full play in the struggle for the complete victory of socialism, and soundly preserve the socialist system.

We must still more accelerate the struggle to hasten the complete victory of socialism by enhancing the functions and roles of the people's government.

Government organizations are the executors of the party's line of three revolutions. They should orient all their activities toward the successful prosecution of three revolutions, ideological, technological, and cultural, and carry out proper administrative organizational work and provide adequate material and technical logistic support to suit the heightened zeal of the workers who have launched into the execution of the three revolutions.

Vigorously pushing ahead with socialist construction is a rewarding task to achieve the complete victory of socialism and constitutes an important function of the government of the republic. Government agencies, by further enhancing their economic organizer role, should concentrate their efforts on the successful fulfillment of the Third 7-Year Plan, an immediate goal.

To successfully fulfill the difficult and complex task to win the complete victory of socialism, we should further strengthen our people's government, which has fully demonstrated its superiority and vitality as a powerful weapon for the revolution and construction in the long period of practical struggle.

To be loyal to party leadership is a firm guarantee for strengthening the people's government.

We should more firmly establish within government organizations a solid system by which they will uphold the party's ideology and leadership, and should organize and carry out all government activities in accordance with the party's intentions, so that our people's government can serve as the true protector of the independent rights of the working masses and a powerful weapon for socialist and communist construction.

We will in the future, as in the past, wage a more vigorous struggle to convert the whole society to the chuche ideology by strengthening the people's government and enhancing its role in every possible way under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

The Respected and Beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il-song Is the Founder and Supreme Commander of the Chuche Revolutionary Forces

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[Text] The immortal achievement of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, the peerless patriot and hero of the nation, which he has won by founding the chuche revolutionary forces and leading them down the single road of victory over the course of exploring and advancing the cause of the Korean revolution after setting out on the road of revolution in his early days, splendidly shines in the chronicle of chuche Korea.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the iron-willed commander who has victoriously advanced our people's struggle for national liberation and independence by founding the true revolutionary army of our people in his early days and defeating the most outrageous Japanese and U.S. imperialist enemies. The respected and beloved leader, who has magnificently glorified the Korean revolution by leading the revolutionary army, still continues to unfold the history of the outstanding leadership by strengthening our country as a socialist power that can defend itself and by consolidating and developing our people's army as ever victorious revolutionary armed forces. This has been the course of struggle of the great commander in which a new stage has been developed in carrying out the cause to build the army of the working class with outstanding wisdom and the art of the chuche military operation, and has been the history of the glorious struggle of the outstanding military genius who has victoriously advanced the people's anti-imperialist cause for independence.

Under the wise leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, carrying out the revolution by holding in high esteem the respected and beloved leader as the supreme commander of the chuche revolutionary armed forces, which have traversed the path of proud victories since they were born in the forest of Mt Paektu 55 years ago, is the boundless happiness and pride of our people's army.

Under the leadership of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, the founder and supreme commander of the chuche revolutionary armed forces, the might of our people's army is invincible, and the reunification and independence of the fatherland and the pan-national victory of the revolution are firmly guaranteed.

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The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the supreme commander of our people's army who founded and has led the chuche revolutionary armed forces down the single road of victory.

Comrade Kim Chong-il, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau and secretary of the WPK Central Committee, has noted: The people's army is the revolutionary armed forces the leader has nurtured through the long revolutionary struggle after organizing their first rank when he was exploring the future of the Korean revolution.

Building the revolutionary armed forces is a natural law-governed demand of the developing revolutionary movement of the working class.

The revolutionary cause of the working class develops and wins victory through severe class struggle. The enemies of the revolution, to protect the interest of the exploiting class and maintain their ruling power, persist in counterrevolutionary violence and consider it an essential means of rule and aggression. Thus, only by having its own revolutionary armed forces can the working class smash the counterrevolutionary violence, obtain the power of political domination, and defend the gains of the revolution after winning victory. Therefore, the greatness and wisdom of the leader of the working class lie in victoriously advancing the people's cause of independence by founding and strengthening the revolutionary armed forces and by considering the work to protect and defend the country and nation the significance of this leadership.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, with deep insight into the significance of the revolutionary violence in the revolutionary struggle of the working class, won the immortal achievement of brilliantly consummating the cause of building the chuche revolutionary armed forces for the first time in our country and has more vigorously led the Korean revolution along the road of glorious victory.

The great achievement the respected beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song has won in carrying out the cause of building the revolutionary armed forces, is, above all, the founding of a chuche-type revolutionary army.

The founding of revolutionary armed forces is not a simple task that can be accomplished by a few people with guns in this hands. It is the course of severe struggle that can be successfully covered only by correctly elucidating the character and mission of revolutionary armed forces suitable to the specific situation of one's own country and the principle and way of building them and by guaranteeing correct leadership for its realization.

In our country, the founding of the revolutionary armed forces has never been smooth.

When we had no sovereignty, no national army, and no foreign support; when the entire country was covered by the Japanese imperialists' network of oppression; and when the enemies' bestial suppression continued, in addition to the hampering maneuvers of the armed unit of the nationalists, the task of the revolutionary armed forces was an arduous struggle. The unfamiliar work of building the revolutionary army had to be carried out in a colonial country. Thus, no military experience was available from anywhere and we had no military command capabilities, no weapons, and no military manuals. Indeed, the founding of the revolutionary armed forces was difficult and complicated work that required courageous determination, creative thought, independent views, and a powerful revolutionary driving force.

Only through the energetic struggle of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who had undertaken the huge task of founding the revolutionary will to rescue the fatherland and nation, could this task be accomplished. This was the course that shone with the chuche-oriented wisdom of the great leader to liberate the fatherland by smashing the imperialists through the efforts of the Korean people themselves, and was the course of the magnificent struggle through which the leader overcame the white terror of the rampaging enemies and nurtured each revolutionary warrior and revolutionized the masses of broad strata to arouse them on the road of armed struggle.

Through the arduous thorny path, which no one had ever traversed in history, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song put forth a most adequate chuche-oriented line for the Korean revolution, a line of anti-Japanese armed struggle, and solved difficult and complicated military problems in a new and comprehensive manner.

The basic task in building an army is to organize the armed ranks, the basic elements of the armed forces, and equip them with arms.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who held aloft the banner of the fatherland's liberation, the banner of the anti-Japanese armed struggle, wisely led the newly born revolutionary organizations and young communists so that they would actively prepare to establish the revolutionary armed forces.

The respected and beloved leader personally organized the Korean Revolutionary Army [KRA], a political and quasi-military organization, thus establishing the organizational structure of the revolutionary army to be founded in the future. By putting forth the militant slogan "Armament is our life. Armament for armament!", he took the lead in the struggle for armament. Under the energetic guidance of the great leader, preparations to found the revolutionary army were successfully carried out over a short period in the party organizations, the KRA, the Communist Youth League organizations, and the Anti-Imperialist Youth League organizations.

At last on 25 April 1932, on the foundation he established with his tested and outstanding leadership to found the revolutionary armed forces, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song proclaimed to the world the founding of the KPRA, the first revolutionary armed forces of the Korean people organized with the members of the KRA, the Communist Youth League, and the Anti-Imperialist Youth League as core members, along with advanced workers, peasants, and patriotic youths.

The KPRA was the revolutionary armed forces of the working class which fought for the Korean people's national independence and social liberation by taking the immortal *chuche* idea as its guiding line. It was a political unit which had a glorious mission to victoriously lead all aspects of the Korean revolution.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song built the KPRA into a regular revolutionary armed force composed of professional revolutionaries in accordance with the demand of the national liberation war and guerrilla warfare against colonialism in which the KPRA had to fight against heavily armed regular imperialist armed forces over a long time. The respected leader who built a new type of revolutionary army in terms of organizational structure combined the paramilitary organizations—nonregular revolutionary armed forces—with this revolutionary army and organized our revolutionary armed forces into powerful armed ranks in which a monolithic system was established.

Thus, the respected leader Comrade Kim Il-song brilliantly achieved the revolutionary armed forces which could win victory in the struggle for the nation's independence and the people's freedom under the revolutionary banner of the *chuche* idea.

Thanks to this, our people's ardent desire and long-cherished aspirations to have our own revolutionary armed forces were finally realized and a brilliant prospect for building genuine revolutionary armed forces of the working class was unfolded. An end was put to our nation's anti-Japanese national liberation movement which suffered failure and vicissitudes and a road was opened for the national liberation war against colonialism to advance victoriously. Thus, the Korean communist movement vigorously developed on to a new higher stage.

Another achievement made by the respected leader Comrade Kim Il-song in implementing the cause of building the revolutionary armed forces was that he firmly organized the KPA into an unrivaled revolutionary rank which tenaciously defended and brilliantly accomplished the *chuche* revolutionary cause.

The revolutionary cause of the working class is a long-range work which continues, generation after generation, amid fierce class struggle against the imperialist aggressor forces. Therefore, as long as the imperialists remain in the world, the work of strengthening the revolutionary armed forces should continue, no matter how far the revolution may advance.

The respected leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who pioneered the new conditions for building revolutionary armed forces and achieved great victory in national liberation, wisely led the work of firmly consolidating our revolutionary armed forces after the liberation.

In building revolutionary armed forces under conditions without having established sovereignty and the rear defense of the nation, organizing the guerrilla-type standing army is the only righteous way. However, under the condition in which there are sovereignty and the rear defense of the nation, it is inevitable to immediately regularize the armed forces.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song immediately began the work of building the mighty regular armed forces, amid the anti-Japanese flames, in accordance with the self-defense military program he had already advanced by inheriting and developing the precious tradition of building, strengthening, and developing a standing armed force based on a form of guerrilla warfare.

The KPRA was strengthened and developed into a regularized revolutionary armed force in accordance with the demand in the development of our revolution which entered the transitional period toward socialism after the party of the working classes seized power under the respected leader's leadership, and in accordance with the trend of the urgent situation in which the maneuvers for division and aggression by the U.S. imperialists who occupied South Korea have been strengthened.

The KPA which was strengthened and developed into regular revolutionary armed forces is the successor to the KPRA and our party's genuine revolutionary armed forces which inherited the pure *chuche* lineage. Because there were such mighty modern regular armed forces, our people could demonstrate immortal exploits by expelling the armed invasion of the U.S. imperialists and could reliably defend the socialist fatherland and revolutionary gains by crushing the enemy's repeated aggressive maneuvers even after the war.

Under the wise leadership of the respected leader Comrade Kim Il-song, the work of consolidating the People's Army into indomitable ranks was constantly carried out at a higher stage through various stages of the revolution.

The struggle to strengthen the revolutionary armed forces in every way is conducted mainly through work to strengthen the army in terms of political ideology and military technology. The working class party should conduct this work well to build the revolutionary armed forces into an invincible rank capable of defeating any aggressive forces.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song put forth the correct policies for building the army, such as the work to establish the party's monolithic idea system and the

party's leadership system through the entire army; the five major policies for realizing self-defensive military lines, converting the entire army into a cadre, and modernizing the entire army; and the 10 major abiding principles in military life, and comprehensively pushed ahead with the work to realize them. Thanks to this brilliant leadership, our KPA has been raised to a revolutionary rank endlessly loyal to the party and the leader, to be an armed rank as strong as iron, and capable of firmly defending the socialist fatherland and the revolutionary gains, and to be the combat force which is 1-a-match-for-100, and capable of defeating any enemy.

Today, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song gives continuous guidance to the KPA units so that they can excellently carry out the task of defending the socialist fatherland, and adhere to modeling the entire army in the general direction of the *chuche* idea to work in permanently building the army.

We have achieved a firm guarantee of having armed forces capable of solidifying our socialist fatherland and making it an invincible fortress, defending national independence and peace, and realizing the ultimate victory of the revolutionary cause thanks to the immortal contribution of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song through his leadership in building the army.

The most brilliant achievement accomplished by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song in leading the *chuche* revolutionary armed forces is that he crushed the two imperialist aggressors, the United States and Japan, in one generation, defending national dignity and sovereignty, and has victoriously advanced the anti-imperialist cause for independence.

The objective of the working class in building the army is not merely to have armed forces. The fundamental objective is to crush the imperialists' maneuvers for aggression and war. Therefore, the greatness and great achievements of the outstanding leader of the revolutionary armed forces are demonstrated and are given luster by his leading the revolutionary war to victory.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is an ever-victorious supreme commander who has led our revolutionary armed forces to great victory in various types of revolutionary wars, such as the national liberation war, the war of defending the fatherland, guerrilla war, and modern war.

The fact that our revolutionary armed forces won the two revolutionary wars against the Japanese and the U.S. imperialists amply and firmly proves the immortal achievements of the outstanding sagacious leader unparalleled in the military history of the world and the history of the liberation struggle of mankind.

The anti-Japanese revolutionary war was the national liberation struggle against Japanese imperialism—which was the most vicious and brutal military feudalist imperialism in the world and the Asian shock brigade of international fascism in those days—and it was an unprecedented revolutionary war in its protractedness, arduousness, type, and scale.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song most precisely elucidated the fundamental problems arising in the colonial national liberation war, gave outstanding guidance in military strategy in every developmental stage, sagaciously organized and directed numerous operations and combat maneuvers, inflicting irreversible military defeat on the "invincible imperialist army," and ultimately achieved victory in the anti-Japanese war. The shining victory in the anti-Japanese revolutionary war was a historical victory that formed a breakthrough in accelerating the destruction of the imperialist colonial system and opened a new era in the colonial national liberation war.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song has not only embroidered the 15 years of arduous anti-Japanese armed struggle with a heroic epic but also has created a military miracle of leading the fatherland liberation war in which the allied imperialist forces were defeated, including the U.S. imperialists—the ringleader of the world's reactionaries—and has led to a great victory.

It was hardly imaginable for our young KPA, which was only 2 years old after having been strengthened and developed into a regular armed force, to fight against the U.S. imperialists—which was said to have never been defeated in over 110 aggressive wars—and their allied forces of over 2 million troops. In this grave period of trial, the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, the legendary anti-Japanese hero, vigorously encouraged our KPA and all the people in the sacred war of crushing the aggressor U.S. imperialists, bearing all the heavy burden of war himself and putting forward the militant slogan "Give everything for victory in the war."

Throughout the entire period of the fatherland liberation war, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song thoroughly overcame dogmatism and flunkeyism in military fields, realized the indestructible unity and cohesion of the party, the people, and the army, and successfully solved all the strategic tasks arising in the war.

The outstanding leadership in liberating Seoul, the den of the enemy, 3 days after the war started, and liberating over 90 percent of the entire area of the southern half in a month and half, the organization of strategic retreat to wreck the enemy's predominant scheme for seizure and attack, and to convert it into a decisive counterattack, and the outstanding leadership which turned the enemy's offensive into one of death and despair through

the impregnable warfare of defending its position and brought forth a miraculous epical picture without parallel in the military history of the world.

Under the wise leadership of the respected and beloved Comrade Supreme Commander, our KPA crushed the myth of the U.S. imperialists' "mightiness" and honorably defended the freedom and independence of the fatherland, and achieved heroic exploits which brought about the beginning of the decline of the U.S. imperialists and accelerated the all-out destruction of the world's imperialist system.

Truly, the history of the revolutionary struggle of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song shines resplendently as a great history of an ever-victorious iron-willed sagacious general, the outstanding military artist, who founded and led the mightiest chuche revolutionary armed forces, opened the glorious new era of the Korean revolution, and has made immortal achievements in the history of the revolutionary army.

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The respected and beloved Comrade Kim Il-song is the supreme commander of our revolutionary armed forces who has the perfect outstanding military qualifications and leadership traits capable of brilliantly realizing the building of and the leadership for the working class revolutionary army.

Building strong revolutionary armed forces and leading them to victory is not a simple matter which any man can do. This can be done only by a sagacious general who is well versed in military affairs and has great military ideology and outstanding leadership.

That our KPA could be born to be a true chuche revolutionary armed forces and was able to be raised to be invincible in combat, and to tread the proud road of victory and glory is directly ascribable to the trait of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who has both the profound ideology and theory and great practical ability as a great authority in military affairs.

Having great military ideology is the outstanding trait of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song as an outstanding sagacious general.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is a great authority in military affairs who has both extraordinary wisdom and outstanding military strategy, and has founded the chuche military ideology suitable for the inevitable demands to build a working class army and to meet the aspirations of our times.

The military ideology of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the new, original chuche military ideology and self-defensive military ideology which embodies the immortal chuche idea in the military fields.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has taught: The word self-defense used in affairs of national defense literally means defending one's own country by the one's own strength, and this means that our party's chuche idea has been realized in the military fields. True revolutionaries should firmly stand in the chuche position, determined to carry out and develop the revolution of one's own country by one's own strength at all times, and should maintain an independent position to repel the foreign imperialists' aggression with one's own strength and to defend oneself.

The chuche-type military ideology elucidates a new principle that the masters of military work are the masses of the soldiers and that achievements in this work are determined by their power. Based upon this principle, the chuche-type military ideology puts forth as a leading principle the principles of carrying out military work by attaching decisive importance to the ideals and consciousness of the soldiers, and by enhancing their ideals and consciousness and resolving military questions by complying with specific circumstances in the country in activating the masses of the soldiers, as well as the principle of self-defense of protecting and defending the country by one's own efforts.

Based upon this principle, the chuche-type military ideology puts forth the principle of giving firm priority to political work and correctly combining it with military and technological work as the consistent principle of building the revolutionary forces. It also sets forth, as a strategic and tactical principle which a revolutionary army must adhere to, the principle of defeating the enemy's numerical and technological superiority with a strategic and tactical superiority based upon a political and ideological superiority. Based upon the chuche idea, the chuche-type military ideology also systematizes in a monolithic manner and newly elucidates in an overall manner all military questions, including questions concerning viewpoints on war, concerning building the revolutionary forces and building national defense, and concerning military strategies and methods of military operations.

The chuche-type military ideology is an encyclopedia on resolving the military questions of our era and is the current guiding principle on military work which constitutes a new stage in developing the military ideology of the working class.

Because it upholds the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who is the complete embodiment of an outstanding military ideology, as the supreme commander, our army is also today being strengthened and developed into a powerful chuche-type revolutionary force, and is scoring brilliant feats.

Possessing outstanding strategies, tactics, and sagacious plans of operations is another outstanding trait of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song as the commander.

Concluding a war with victory is the greatest duty of a military commander and this is firmly guaranteed by the tactics and plans of operations that the commander possesses. The might of an army is displayed in battlefields by tactics and plans of operations, and victory in war greatly depends on the tactics and plans of operations of the commander. Therefore, the greatness and extraordinariness of the commander is shown in the salaciousness of the tactics and plans of operations which the commander employs.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the greatest commander under heaven, and he possesses strategies, tactics, and an art of military operations—that no other military strategist can imagine—and he is leading our revolutionary forces to victory.

Our people highly praise the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song as a legendary hero because he has wisely led the army to victory in combat, while easily handling the aggressors with outstanding, sagacious, and peerless plans of operations and tactics.

During the days of the arduous anti-Japanese revolutionary war, the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song created numerous creative plans of operations and tactics suitable to a guerrilla war and, by using them, defeated the Japanese rascals every time and vigorously sped up the march to liberating the fatherland.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, leading the KPRA, overwhelmed the enemy's numerical and technological superiority with a strategic and tactical superiority. He has always taken firm initiatives by using creative guerrilla tactics and plans of operations that cannot be found in any books on military science or any armed struggle. The wretched Japanese forces of aggression, who were startled at the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's peculiar and sagacious plans of operations and tactics, shivered on hearing even the leader's esteemed name, while saying sadly "The tactics of the communist forces is truly surprising. They are waging a war with 'plans of operations' that cannot be found in any book on military science."

During the fatherland's liberation war, the pride of the arrogant U.S. imperialists, who bragged "We will have breakfast in Haeju, lunch in Pyongyang, and dinner in Siniuji," was humbled and a puppet ringleader who was defeated in the war deplored the signing of the armistice agreement as a result of the fact that 16 countries could not defeat "the small-scale communist forces." This was the end of the rascals caused by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's creative plans of operations and tactics.

During the fatherland liberation war, with scientific insight into the enemies' strategic attempts, weak points, and the prospect of the war, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song always forestalled the enemies several steps in advance. He created and applied strategies and tactics suitable to the prevailing situation of the war, thus

displaying his lofty military talent as the outstanding commander. Through the activities of the units of the people's army, the uniqueness and extraordinariness of the respected and beloved supreme commander's numerous tactics were fully displayed.

Thus, the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the great military strategist who possesses perfect and outstanding strategies, tactics, and the art of military operation with which we can defeat the enemy in any revolutionary war in our era.

Iron will, incomparable courage, and benevolence are the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's special traits as the great commander.

The commander's activities are linked with the decisive battles against aggressors, and are at work with those who lead the army. Military objectives cannot be attained if military ideas, strategies, and tactics are not put into practice and if the masses of soldiers are not mobilized. Carrying out military work through the mobilization of the masses of soldiers regardless of difficulties and adverse situations is precisely the great trait of the commander.

The will and courage of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song are the strengths with which he leads the army with faith in victory over any enemy by overcoming difficulties under all circumstances.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has taught: Our communists fear no difficulties. They are the revolutionary optimists who have faith in final victory under all circumstances, and are those who possess the revolutionary spirit to accomplish any difficult task. ("Kim Il-song Collected Works," No 1, p 266)

In history, no other army has ever traversed such an arduous path as has our people's army. In front of our revolutionary armed forces which have continued the difficult and arduous struggle, there has always been the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

With his indomitable will and courage, the great leader traversed the unfamiliar path of the 20-year anti-Japanese revolution. Then, during the fatherland liberation war, precisely with the same will and courage, unyielding to the U.S. imperialists' surprise attack, he turned the adverse situation into a favorable one and made the enemies suffer ceaseless defeats during the 3-year war. In addition, at the time when the U.S. imperialists were threatening us through frequent aggressive maneuvers such as the Pueblo incident, the EC-121 large spy plane incident, and the Panmunjom incident, the great leader brought the enemies to their knees.

Thanks to the wise leadership of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song possessing an iron will and incomparable courage, the enemies' "sweep"

operation, their line of "no retreat," their "division of victory," and all their war provocation maneuvers were shattered, while our revolutionary army was displaying its invincible might.

The deciding destiny in war, and the possession of a powerful military might depends on the force of the unity and cohesion of the masses of the soldiers who have firmly rallied around the commander, not on weapons or the atomic bomb.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is a parent who has firmly united the People's Army as one in his bosom where he sincerely takes care of and endlessly loves fighters. The might of the People's Army has been consolidated invincibly in the bosom of the respected and beloved supreme commander where he regards the People's Army as a precious treasure, which cannot be exchanged with anything in the world, and he renders boundless love to it.

There are numerous episodes about the parental love of the respected and beloved leader who has visited and taken care of fighters in grim battlefields, bramble paths, and dangerous frontal units from the days of the anti-Japanese struggle to the present. Amid a warm love, our revolutionary armed forces have unfolded a new history of single-hearted unity—a single bond of the commander and fighters—and have displayed their pride of being forces which have created a shining example of loyalty to the leader—loyalty deeply cherished in their hearts with revolutionary faith and fidelity.

Upholding the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song with perfect traits of a great commander as the supreme commander is the greatest glory of the KPA and an absolute guarantee for a proud victory in the Korean revolution.

Over the past half century since the first guns went off in the forest of Mt Paektu, our revolutionary armed forces have traversed along the glory-filled road of victory and have attained imperishable achievements that will shine forever in national history. However, the target of the revolution has not changed, and the road of the revolution we should tread is still far and rugged.

The road of the revolution, along which our people's army and people should advance today, is precisely the road indicated by our glorious party.

We should staunchly fight to realize the cause of remodeling the entire army on the *chuche* idea, upholding the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il who has brilliantly inherited and is embodying the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's military idea and traits of being a great commander. On this road, our people's army should cause the tradition of loyalty to shine, as the army

of the leader, the party, and the revolution, generation after generation, and consolidate invincible unity and cohesion around the party and the leader as firmly as a rock.

Today an imminent situation in which war may break out again at any moment and at any time is being created in our country. The U.S. imperialists and the South Korean fascist clique have rejected our repeated and fair and above board proposals for peace and peaceful reunification and have led the situation to the brink of war by frantically waging the "Team Spirit-87" joint military exercise with over 200,000-strong forces this year, too. If the wretches provoke a reckless war in Korea, they will not be able to escape from the annihilating retaliatory strike of our People's Army and people and will be burnt to death in the flames kindled by themselves.

Without even a hint of idleness and relaxation, all the people and the officers and men of the People's Army should increase a revolutionary alert for the reunification of the fatherland, and the nationwide victory of the revolution. They should work and live in a militant manner, and be prepared in a full combat mobilization posture with which they will be able to defeat any invasion of the enemy with a single strike.

The revolutionary cause of our people and People's Army, who are upholding the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song—the founder and supreme commander of our revolutionary armed forces—and following the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il, is ever-victorious and invincible at all times.

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The Chuche-Oriented Idea of Economic Construction Evolved by the Great Leader Comrade Kim Il-song and Its Brilliant Implementation

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[Text] For a long time since he embarked upon the road of revolution in his early youth until now, the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song has accumulated a massive record of immortal achievements for our country and people, for history and mankind, through his outstanding ideological-theoretical activities and by his formidable revolutionary practice.

What occupies a particularly important place in the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's immortal revolutionary achievements is the conversion of our country into a prosperous socialist power possessing a powerful heavy industry, a modern light industry and an advanced rural economy, by evolving a *chuche*-based idea of economic construction and brilliantly putting it into practice.

By setting forth a *chuche*-based idea of economic construction and judiciously leading the struggle to implement it, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has enabled our people to lay the sound material and technological foundation of the country in an unprecedentedly short period of time and usher in a new fruitful era of national prosperity.

While significantly marking the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's birthday as our nation's most felicitous holiday, our people are highly admiring the revolutionary achievements the respected and beloved leader has accumulated through his outstanding ideological and theoretical activities and by his untiring, energetic leadership and are renewing their determination to accelerate socialist and communist construction still more by continuing to thoroughly implement his *chuche*-based idea of economic construction.

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The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song came up with his original idea of economic construction by brilliantly applying his immortal *chuche* ideology to the sphere of socialist economic construction.

Socialist economic construction is one of the important revolutionary tasks confronting the party of the working class which has seized power. Only through proper economic construction will it be possible to make the country rich and strong, attain a high level of development in productivity, and constantly improve the people's material and cultural standards of living. For the party of the working class which has seized power to properly carry out economic construction constitutes an important guarantee for sturdily defending the socialist system and the gains of the revolution by firmly securing the political independence and self-reliance of the country and strengthening the nation's defense capability.

Socialist economic construction can be successfully carried out only when it has as its guiding principle the right thought and theory on economic construction reflecting the inevitability of development of socialist society and the independent aspirations and demands of the working masses. A revolutionary thought and theory on economic construction illumines the road of economic construction and offers clear means and methods of fighting for vigorously accelerating economic construction by effectively mobilizing and utilizing all the manpower and material resources of the country. Accordingly, evolving a revolutionary thought and theory on economic construction capable of leading economic construction on a straight path without an inch of deflection is one of the basic problems which influence the results of economic construction.

By evolving a *chuche*-based idea of economic construction, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has provided a firm guiding principle for the successful construction of a socialist economy.

The *chuche*-based concept of economic construction outlined by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is an encyclopedic idea of economic construction which provides the working class with comprehensive scientific solutions to all theoretical and practical problems encountered in building a socialist economy which will guarantee the independent life of the working people in material terms.

As taught by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, socialist economic construction is a rewarding struggle to conquer nature so as to provide the masses with conditions necessary for an independent and creative life, namely, a sacred struggle to strengthen the material and technological foundations of socialism and capture the material fortress of communism. The intrinsic nature of socialist economic construction lies in conquering nature and providing the masses with conditions necessary for an independent and creative life.

Important in the *chuche*-based concept of economic construction is the idea of building a self-reliant national economy.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"...Soon after liberation, we had already set forth the line of building a self-reliant national economy and implemented it in the face of all obstacles." ("Collected Works of Kim Il-song," Vol 27, pp 27, 31)

Building a self-reliant national economy means building an economy which can stand on its own feet, an economy which serves the people. A self-reliant national economy is an all-round economy capable of moving by its own power, many sidedly developed, and equipped with modern technology, in other words, a people-oriented economy capable of satisfying all needs in economic construction in the country and supplying the people's daily necessities virtually with its own production. The idea of building a self-reliant national economy is the core of the *chuche*-based idea of economic construction. With the evolution of the idea of building a self-reliant national economy for the first time in history, there has come to be provided the basic direction for socialist economic construction, namely, for building an economy which can stand on its own legs and which serves the people, and there has come to be illumined the straight road to building the firm material and technological foundations of socialism in each nation state to suit the inevitable demands of socialist and communist construction.

Building a self-reliant national economy is a difficult and complex task which can be accomplished only by carrying out multistages of economic construction.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song clarified that a self-reliant socialist national economy can only be developed through the process of accomplishing multistage

tasks, such as achieving the comprehensive industrialization and technological remodeling of the national economy subsequent to the completion of the socialist transformation of the relations of production, and further consolidating the material and technological foundations of the country at a new, higher stage. With the inevitable process of socialist economic development clarified, a firm guarantee has been provided for setting clear step-by-step goals of economic development and waging a vigorous struggle to achieve these goals.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has provided perfect solutions to strategic and tactical problems which should be firmly grasped in economic construction by setting forth various lines on economic construction, such as the basic line of carrying out socialist economic construction in conformity with the inevitable process of socialist economic development, the line on socialist industrialization, the line on the technological revolution, and the line on the chucheization, modernization, and science-orientation of the national economy. All these economic construction lines are the valid lines which were set forth on the basis of a correct, realistic evaluation of the inevitable demands and potential of economic development in our country, and they are the revolutionary lines which make it possible to successfully accelerate the building of a self-reliant national economy. With these lines on building a self-reliant national economy set forth, there has come to be provided the straight direction and means for building a firm material and technological foundation of socialism by firmly insuring the self-sustainability and chuche character of the national economy and by equipping all its branches with modern technologies.

In this way the chuche-based idea of economic construction set forth by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song serves as the guiding principle which will enable us to build a most dynamic socialist national economy, namely, a powerful weapon of which the working-class party should take a firm grip in pushing socialist economic construction.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's idea of economic construction is an original idea of economic construction based, above all, on the immortal chuche ideology.

The greatness and vitality of a thought and theory on economic construction are closely linked to the greatness of the guiding ideology and theory it embodies. An idea of economic construction embodying a great guiding ideology and theory can be a powerful weapon for triumphantly charting an unbeaten path of socialist and communist economic construction and be a mighty motive power for creation and construction.

The idea of economic construction enunciated by the respected and beloved leader is based on the world outlook which views all things with man placed at the center and makes them serve him, and it is the most

powerful and dynamic idea of economic construction because it embodies the great chuche ideology, a revolutionary doctrine designed to enable the working masses to realize their dependence.

To say that the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's idea of economic construction embodies the chuche ideology is to say that it is the idea of economic construction which is evolved and systematized with the chuche ideology as its ideological basis. In other words, it is to say that the idea enunciates the basic principles on economic construction by applying the philosophical and social-historical doctrines of the chuche ideology and, on this basis, evolves and formulates the thought and theory on economic construction.

The basic principle of the chuche ideology as applied in the area of economic construction is economic self-support. The principle of economic self-support is the principle which generalizes the demands of our era, the era of chuche, for economic construction, particularly the demand for providing material conditions necessary to enable the masses to achieve an independent life by their own efforts.

The chuche-based idea of economic construction defines economic self-support as the basic principle of economic construction and, on this basis, regards it as the objective of economic construction to meet the material and cultural needs of the working masses with their own production, and aims at building an economy which is developed all-round, in a comprehensive manner, and which is solidly equipped with modern technical provisions. That is why the chuche-based idea of economic construction indicates the most correct path to building a powerful economy by our own efforts to suit the independent demands and aspirations of the working masses.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's idea of economic construction has the chuche ideology not only as its ideological and theoretical foundation but also as its methodological foundation. The chuche-based idea of economic construction demands that all problems encountered in economic construction be solved by placing the working masses at the center of attention. Having the chuche ideology as its methodological foundation, this idea has paved the way for establishing the position of carrying out economic construction from the point of view of ensuring an independent and creative life for the working masses and for accelerating economic construction through the voluntary and active efforts of the working masses.

All this indicates that the idea of economic construction elucidated by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is an original idea of economic construction thoroughly embodying the immortal chuche ideology, the revolutionary man-centered world view.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's *chuche*-based idea of economic construction is also a revolutionary idea of economic construction which firmly guarantees the successful fulfillment of the revolutionary cause of the working class.

The revolutionary cause of the working class, namely, the cause of socialism and communism, can be successfully fulfilled only when a highly advanced level of production is attained by firmly consolidating the material and technological foundations of society while completely remodeling relations between man and society after the image of the working class. The work of building a firm material and technological foundation suitable to socialist, communist society is a very difficult and complex task which can be accomplished only by carrying out huge multi-stage economic construction programs. To satisfactorily accomplish this formidable historic task, there must be a correct thought and theory on economic construction which will lead socialist economic construction on the straight road to victory without an inch of deviation.

The *chuche*-based idea of economic construction evolved by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the powerful weapon of struggle which enables us to triumphantly accomplish the herculean tasks for socialist economic construction without the slightest deflection and deviation.

This is related to the fact that the *chuche*-based idea of economic construction makes it possible to vigorously accelerate economic construction in conformity with the inevitable demands of socialist economic construction and the inherent needs of socialist society. The *chuche*-based idea of economic construction makes it possible to build the economy to suit the basic interests of the working masses and bring the superiority of socialism over capitalism into full play, by resolutely abiding by the revolutionary principles of the working class in particular.

This idea will make it possible to capture the material fortress of communism by adjusting all aspects of economic construction to the inevitable development requirements of socialist society.

The *chuche*-based idea of economic construction outlined by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is also a scientific idea of economic construction which will make it possible to correctly meet the demands of economic laws at work in a socialist society.

Proper satisfaction of the requirements of all economic laws operating in a socialist society is of great importance in facilitating the process of socialist economic development, in scientifically projecting the prospects and results of economic development, and in accelerating overall economic construction. Objective economic laws operating in a socialist society are correctly understood and put to use in the goal-conscious activities of

the working class-party aimed at socialist economic construction. The working-class party formulates economic policies and executes them by correctly reflecting its own revolutionary duties, the prevailing situation surrounding the revolution, and the demands of economic laws operating in a socialist society. Success in economic construction depends on whether or not the requirements of all economic laws operating in a socialist society are correctly perceived and satisfactorily met.

The *chuche*-based idea of economic construction is a scientific idea of economic construction which accurately reflects economic laws operating in a socialist society and which makes it possible to vigorously accelerate economic construction by satisfactorily meeting these requirements.

The *chuche*-based idea of economic construction illuminates the straight path for correct assessment of the demands of socialist economic laws, such as the basic economic laws of socialism, the law that governs the planned and balanced development of the national economy, and the law on achieving a constantly high tempo of economic development, and demonstrates the proper utilization of the economic law that governs commodity production by thoroughly subordinating it to the intrinsic economic laws of socialist society. The *chuche*-based idea of economic construction provides the basic position that should be maintained in perceiving and making use of economic laws operating in a socialist society, as well as the basic methods that should be employed in maintaining this position. In other words, it dictates that the people properly deal with economic phenomena and economic processes from the firm standpoint of being the masters of nature and society and purposefully utilize these phenomena and processes in accordance with their will and needs. This proves that the *chuche*-based idea of economic construction is the idea of economic construction which enables us to correctly perceive the natural law-governed nature that runs through complex and varied economic phenomena and to carry out economic activities in accordance with this nature, namely, the most scientific idea of economic construction that enables us to correctly meet all requirements of economic laws operating in a socialist society.

As you see, the *chuche*-based idea of economic construction enunciated by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is an original idea of economic construction embodying the immortal *chuche* ideology, a revolutionary idea of economic construction that will enable us to consummate the revolutionary cause of the working class, and a scientific idea of economic construction capable of correctly meeting the requirements of economic laws operating in socialist society.

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The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, after having outlined the *chuche*-based idea of economic construction, has wisely led the struggle to put it into practice.

The process of economic construction in our country has been a glorious course resplendent with the struggle to implement the chuche-based idea of economic construction under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and a proud course of laying a firm economic foundation for ensuring prosperity to the country and people.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has always wisely led our people to bring the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance into full play in carrying out the work of economic construction.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"We have maintained the principle of developing the nation's economy mainly by bringing the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance into play and by relying on our own technologies, our own support, our own national cadres, and the efforts of our own people." ("Collected Works of Kim Il-song," Vol 26, p 427)

Self-reliance is the revolutionary spirit and principle of the communists who are determined to carry on the revolution until consummation. In economic construction, as in all other tasks in the revolution and construction, we must trust our own capability and rely on it. Only by mobilizing the capabilities of our own people and the resources of our own country and only by relying on our own funds and technologies in accordance with the principle of self-reliance, will it be possible to develop our economy at a rapid pace on our own initiative and achieve national prosperity by overcoming all obstacles.

In the early days of national construction, in the postwar reconstruction period, in the period in which the basic foundation of socialism was laid, and in all other periods, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song always led our people to lay the firm foundation of a self-supporting economy with their own energies, with their own technologies, and with their own resources by upholding the revolutionary banner of self-reliance.

By continuing to give full play to the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance in the entire period of socialist economic construction under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, our people have actively searched out and mobilized inner reserves hidden in the national economy and thus met all their needs by their own efforts of using the method of machine begetting machine and factory begetting factory, and have been able to build a self-supporting modern industry and an advanced rural economy, by their own efforts and with their own resources and their own technology. Our people owe it to the sagacious leadership of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who since the early days of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle, has demonstrated the matchless leadership capability of turning adversities into favorable conditions while

breaking through obstacles head-on, that they have been able to win a proud victory in socialist economic construction by successfully overcoming manifold obstacles and difficulties.

In implementing the chuche-based idea of economic construction, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has also led our people to thoroughly observe the revolutionary mass line.

Socialist economic construction is an undertaking for the good of the people that should be carried out by the masses. In giving full play to the energies and wisdom of the masses, it is important to implement the revolutionary mass line.

In the entire course of leading socialist construction, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has always gone among the people to have serious heart-to-heart talks with them to find solutions to problems at hand, thereby vigorously inspiring the masses to new labor exploits. The great feat of the workers of the Kangson Steel Complex who last year extracted 120,000 tons of steel billet from the blooming mill with an annual capacity of 60,000 tons; and the amazing feat of our workers who during the past year produced 13,000 machine tools in excess of the plan, and built more than 1,000 local industrial factories in only 3 to 4 months by utilizing unused local materials. All the proud achievements of our people were made possible by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who went among the masses and inspired them to give full play to their revolutionary fervor and creative positiveness.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song created the Chongsan-ri spirit and the Chongsan-ri method and comprehensively established the original Taean work system, a new agricultural guidance system, and a scientific planning system to suit the new circumstances in which socialist construction was accelerating. This made it possible to firmly rely on the efforts of the masses in economic construction and to encourage them to give full play to their collective wisdom and creative positiveness. As a result, it became possible to have the masses widely participate in economic management and thoroughly implement our party's revolutionary mass line in socialist economic construction. The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song who trusts the inexhaustible energies of the masses, always relies on them, and gives full play to their wisdom and creative positiveness in the revolution and construction; and this mode of his sagacious leadership has been a decisive factor responsible for the continual miracles and innovations achieved in all sectors and units of the national economy.

In implementing the chuche-based idea of economic construction, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has also sagaciously led our people to bring about continual miracles and innovations in socialist economic construction by waging the three revolutions—ideological, technological and cultural.

The vigorous prosecution of the three revolutions—ideological, technological and cultural—is our party's consistent policy in socialist construction.

Defining the three revolutions—ideological, technological and cultural—as a general line of socialist economic construction, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has led our people to simultaneously push forward with the technological and cultural revolutions while giving definite priority to the ideological revolution. As a result, the revolutionary ethos of working devotedly for the country and people has been established among the workers; all workers have acquired a profound knowledge of nature and society and attained advanced technical know-how; and a vigorous struggle has been waged to eliminate the backwardness of the national economy. In addition, the revolutionary zeal of the workers has been heightened, their technological and cultural standards improved, and the technological remodeling of the national economy promoted. Consequently, miracle after miracle and innovation after innovation have been achieved in socialist economic construction, and the nation's economic might augmented without parallel.

The *chuche*-based idea of economic construction elucidated by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is being brilliantly implemented by the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il.

The dear Comrade Kim Chong-il has made it possible to achieve new miracles and innovations in socialist economic construction by wisely organizing and leading the struggle to implement the *chuche*-based idea of economic construction to suit the demands of the reality in which the conversion of the whole society to the *chuche* ideology is progressing on a high plane.

Through the clarification of the intrinsic nature of party-wide guidance for socialist economic construction, the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il correctly led party organizations to enhance their leadership role and vigorously conduct propaganda on the party's economic policy and step up economic agitation by tightly linking party work to economic work.

The dear Comrade Kim Chong-il, particularly by setting forth the policy on the speed battle, has brought about continual unprecedented leaps and innovations in socialist economic construction. On the other hand, he raised fundamental questions concerning ways to improve economic guidance and enterprise management, such as the question of substantially tackling economic organizational work in conformity with the demands of the Taean work system, the question of routinizing and standardizing enterprise management, the question concerning the summation of work, production, and the financial condition, and has provided comprehensive solutions to all these problems.

Mass movements and revolutionary slogans are of great significance in actively organizing and mobilizing broad circles of people in revolutionary struggle and construction work. Reflecting the demands of the reality in which the revolution and construction were intensifying, the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il initiated the movement to win the Red Flag of the Three Revolutions and the movement to emulate unsung heroes and has energetically led these movements. He also has created a number of revolutionary slogans, such as "Ideology, technology, and culture—all in accordance with the demands of *chuche*!" and "Production, study, and life—all in the manner of the anti-Japanese guerrilla!" and has actively led all workers to live and work as called for by these slogans. As a result, radical changes have taken place in all branches and units engaged in socialist economic construction. The continual leaps made by our people in socialist economic construction in the 1970's and 1980's represent the precious fruit of the sagacious leadership of the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il, who has been leading the masses with rare acumen, scientific insights, and proficient organizational skills.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's *chuche*-based idea of economic construction has been demonstrating its immense vitality in socialist economic construction in our country.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"Today our economy can meet all needs in socialist construction and in the people's daily living with its own production and is continuing to develop at a high pace, unaffected by any worldwide economic fluctuation." ("Kim Il-song Selected Works," Vol 8, pp 131-132)

The powerful foundation that has been built to firmly insure the lasting prosperity of the nation and the happiness of our posterity is the greatest achievement resulting from the brilliant implementation of the *chuche*-based idea of economic construction.

As a result of the implementation of the *chuche*-based idea of economic construction, our economy has been strengthened and developed into an all-round economy having a powerful heavy industry with the machine-building industry as its core, a modern light industry and a developed rural economy, and has become a self-reliant socialist national economy which can stand on its own feet, and is not dependent on others.

Developed on a priority basis according to the basic line of socialist economic construction set forth by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, our heavy industry has become very powerful, developed all-round, with all its branches fully equipped with modern technologies, and capable of producing all necessary means of production for our national economy with our own natural resources and the raw materials abundant in our country. Particularly as a result of the rapid development of the machine-building industry in our country, where in

bygone days, even simple farm implements were not properly produced, nowadays large machines and precision instruments requiring high technology are being produced on a large scale, and not only individual pieces of equipment but also whole sets of equipment needed in newly built factories and enterprises, such as power, metal and cement plants, are being produced.

The material and technological foundations of the light industry have been strengthened along with those of the heavy industry. As a result of the thoroughgoing implementation of the light industrial policy of simultaneously developing large-scale state-controlled light industry and small- and medium-scale local industry, numerous large-scale light industrial factories have been erected and small- and medium-size local industrial factories utilizing reserves widely available locally have been built on a large scale. Today our light industry is wholly dependent, for the supply of raw materials, on farm and fishery products, chemical fibers, synthetic resins, and inner reserves abundant in our country.

Epochal progress has also been made in the development of the rural economy. In our country, irrigation and electrification were introduced a long time ago in the rural economy. As a result, farming is unaffected by severe droughts or damaging floods, and electric power is used in threshing and in various other aspects of farm work. In the efforts for the mechanization and chemicalization of the rural economy, signal success has been made; and with the thoroughgoing implementation of the *chuche*-oriented method of farming, the farmers enjoy their work which is performed by the use of machines and technical know-how, with their farming based on a scientific and technological footing.

Under the wise leadership of the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il, the overall economic strength of our country has been augmented all the more in recent years through a vigorous struggle for the *chuche*ization, modernization, and science-orientation of the national economy. With the active promotion of the *chuche*ization, modernization, and science-orientation of the national economy, the raw material, fuel, and power bases have been consolidated, the sectional structures of industry further perfected, technical provisions modernized, and production and management put on a high scientific ground.

The success made in strengthening and developing our self-reliant national economy into a powerful and solid economy in such an unprecedentedly short period of time represents the shining fruit of the sagacious leadership exercised by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who after setting forth a *chuche*-based idea of economic construction, has been leading the struggle to implement it on the straight way to victory, and by the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il, who has been devoting himself to the consummation of the *chuche* revolutionary cause.

Our people take immense national pride and feel revolutionary self-esteem in having laid the powerful economic foundation which will ensure national prosperity and development, under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the tested leadership of the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il, and have become all the more convinced of the justness of the *chuche*-based idea of economic construction.

As a result of the brilliant implementation of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's *chuche*-based idea of economic construction, our national economy has continually developed at a high pace.

Our industry has grown at a high pace since the early stage of socialist construction, not to mention the high growth rate in the postwar reconstruction period. The average annual growth rate was 12.8 percent in the 1961-70 period, and even in the 1970-79 period, in which the scale of the economy expanded at an unprecedented pace, our industry grew at a very high annual average rate of 15.9 percent. With a high rate of industrial growth attained, we were able to complete socialist industrialization in no more than 14 years, fulfill the 6-year plan 1 year and 4 months ahead of schedule, and also successfully fulfill the Second 7-Year Plan. By waging a vigorous struggle to implement the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's "Theses on the Socialist Rural Problem in Our Country" and to introduce the *chuche*-oriented method of farming, our people have systematically increased agricultural production. In 1984 they won a proud victory in reaching the 10 million-ton grain record. When the economies of capitalist countries were in the throes of stagnation due to acute raw material and fuel shortages, we were able to achieve a high economic growth rate in our country. This bears clear testimony to the justness of the *chuche*-based idea of economic construction evolved by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and constitutes a powerful proof of the invincibility of our self-reliant national economy.

With the implementation of the *chuche*-oriented idea of economic construction which the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has and which has been further glorified by the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il, our people's standard of living has been continually improved.

In our country, all the daily needs of our people are being satisfied with our own production, and in keeping with the increase in the wealth of our society, various people-oriented measures have been taken on an extensive scale. As a result, radical change has taken place in solving the food, clothing and shelter problems of our people, and our people's overall standard of material and cultural living has reached a very high level. The happy material and cultural life being enjoyed by our people today cannot be dissociated from the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who has formulated the *chuche*-oriented idea of economic construction

and has correctly led the struggle to implement it, and cannot be dissociated from the tested leadership of the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il.

With the sound material and technological foundation of socialism laid through the brilliant implementation of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's *chuche*-based idea of economic construction, we now make our own decisions to deal with all problems encountered in the revolution and construction and solve them in conformity with the interests of our people and the demands of our revolution. Because of their powerful self-reliant socialist national economy, our people have been able to develop friendly and cooperative relations with other countries on the basis of the principles of complete equality and mutual respect and enhance the international authority and dignity of *chuche* Korea.

Indeed the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the great ideological theorist and the genius of creation and construction who formulated the *chuche*-based idea of economic construction, namely, the sound guiding thought of economic construction in our time, the age of *chuche*, and who by brilliantly implementing this idea, has developed our country into a strong, affluent, and prosperous independent socialist state.

Today our party and people are charged with the honorable duty to keep on glorifying the immortal revolutionary exploits of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song for generations to come. We should further augment the economic strength of our country and bring about a decisive turnaround in the struggle to win the complete victory of socialism by resolutely supporting and adhering to the *chuche*-based idea of economic construction, the justice of which has been clearly proven in the practice of socialist construction, and by implementing the party lines and policies on economic construction.

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**The Idea of Building National Culture as
Elucidated by the Respected and Beloved Leader
Comrade Kim Il-song and Its Great Triumph**
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[Text] Today our national culture is thriving as never before in its 5,000-year-old history. Our country, which in bygone days remained in the backwater of modern civilization due to the Japanese imperialists' vicious policy aimed at stamping out our national culture, is today shining before the whole world as a civilized country where *chuche*-oriented socialist national culture is in full bloom. Under the brilliant *chuche* ideology, rapid progress is being made in the whole spectrum of our culture, including public health and physical culture, as well as highly developed education, science, and technology.

This represents the fruition of the ideas on national cultural construction set forth by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the culmination of his sagacious leadership in the struggle to implement it.

A nation's culture is an important hallmark of its characteristics, and there can be no national development or prosperity apart from culture.

For the party of the working class which has seized power to achieve the prosperity and complete independence of the country and ensure happiness for the people, it should build a new national culture and develop it all-round while maintaining the country's political independence and economic self-reliance. The triumph of the revolution and the future fate of the nation will depend in large measure on the way national culture is developed. Social progress and national prosperity are attainable only by bringing up the people, masters of society, as independent and creative social beings through the intensification of education and the development of science, literature, and art.

The development of national culture becomes an all the more urgent problem in those countries which, freed from the imperialists' colonial rule, have attained national independence and embarked upon building a new society. Without building a new national culture, these countries will not be able to free themselves from backwardness nor to achieve national prosperity.

Deeply aware of the importance of cultural construction in building a new society, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has remarkably solved all problems arising in developing national culture by brilliantly implementing the immortal *chuche* ideology.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has clearly defined the characteristics of national culture and the direction of its development by elucidating the principle that the culture our party will build should be a truly people-oriented and revolutionary culture which will serve the working masses, including workers and farmers, namely, a culture which is national in form and socialist in content.

How to correctly define the characteristics and the direction of development of the new culture that will be built is an important problem which should be solved ahead of other questions in developing national culture. Only by solving this problem will it be possible to set forth the correct principle that should be maintained in cultural construction and the methods of their implementation and to develop a new national culture without deflection.

The truly popular and revolutionary culture of the new era, namely, socialist national culture, is a new culture that marks the highest stage in the history of national cultural development. It is not only antipodal to the

culture of the reactionary classes which serves the demands and interests of the exploiting class and which is suited to their tastes and sentiments but also different in nature even from the progressive and popular culture of the past.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's original ideas on the characteristics of a new culture and the direction of its development provide the guiding light which brightly illumines the road of cultural construction for the working class.

On the basis of his elucidation of the characteristics of the new culture that should be built and the direction of its development, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has lucidly clarified the principles that should be observed in building a popular and revolutionary culture.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"To successfully accomplish the cultural revolution, we should thoroughly implement the line of building socialist national culture. We must firmly establish *chuche*, correctly demonstrate the party spirit and the working-class spirit, and resolutely reject capitalist and feudalistic factors and Western style in all aspects of cultural construction." ("Kim Il-song Selected Works," Vol 8, p 141)

Establishing *chuche* is the basic principle that should be firmly gripped in building a new national culture, that is, socialist national culture.

Establishing *chuche* in cultural construction means solving all problems arising in building national culture in such a way as to suit the interests of the revolution and the people in one's country and to suit the actual conditions in the country and the national sentiments of its people.

Our socialist national culture should serve the interests of the Korean revolution and contribute to the advancement of the Korean revolution. Only the culture that sturdily protect the interests of the revolution and resolutely defend and implement party lines will be able to win the affection of the people and serve as a powerful weapon for inspiring them to launch into the revolution and construction.

Different countries have different social and historical backgrounds and different characteristics. A country's culture can truly serve the interests of the revolution and of the people and also actively contribute to the development of mankind only when it accords with the actual conditions in that country and the national sentiments of its people.

To establish *chuche* in cultural construction, we should solve all problems in a creative manner from the *chuche* point of view.

In building a *chuche*-oriented culture, it is important to develop culture with the first consideration given to its national components.

To build and develop a new culture with primary attention focused on what is our own, we should inherit and develop our national cultural heritage in a critical way. It is an inevitable demand and essential requirement in building a *chuche*-oriented national culture to abandon what is backward and reactionary and to inherit what is progressive and people-oriented in our national cultural legacies and develop it to suit the demands of the new life.

To fight against national nihilism and restorationism is an important task in correctly inheriting and developing our national cultural heritage and in promoting the wholesome development of socialist national culture. Only by resolutely opposing national nihilism and restorationism and thoroughly overcoming any tendencies toward them will it be possible to correctly inherit and develop the national cultural heritage and successfully build a new socialist national culture.

One of the problems that arise in establishing *chuche* in national cultural construction is how to assimilate the achievements and experience of other nation's culture in a critical manner to suit the realities in one's own country. Only by critically introducing and completely assimilating the outstanding cultural achievements and experiences of other nations while eliminating cultural flunkeyism and dogmatism and developing our national culture with primary attention focused on the development of its national components, will it be possible to successfully build socialist national culture and develop it in our own way.

The observance of the *chuche* principle set forth by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is indeed one of the basic requirements that we should firmly grip and thoroughly satisfy in building a new national culture, namely, a socialist national culture.

Also important in building a new national culture is the thorough observance of the principle of party-orientation and working-class-orientation.

The observance of the principle of party-orientation and working-class-orientation is an essential requirement arising from the revolutionary nature and the class characteristics of socialist national culture.

Socialist national culture is a party-oriented and working-class-oriented culture, and the party-orientation and working-class-orientation are vital to socialist national culture. Socialist national culture, through the demonstration of its party-orientation and working-class-orientation, actively contributes to the revolutionary cause of the working class, namely, the cause of socialism and communism. Socialist national culture can be a revolutionary and popular culture that serves broad circles of

people because it reflects the thoughts and demands of the working class and its party which are engaged in the struggle to protect and realize the independence of the working masses.

An important task in developing a party-oriented and working-class-oriented culture is, among others, the thorough establishment of the party's unitary ideological system.

National culture in socialist society should uphold the leader's thoughts as its only ideological guide and should develop itself on this basis and under his leadership, with its substance permeated with party ideologies. The leader's thoughts and party lines, and policies as their embodiment, provide a firm guarantee for making national culture serve as a powerful instrument for actively contributing to the cause of socialism and communism.

Establishing the right working-class line is an important requirement in building and developing a party-oriented and working-class-oriented culture.

Inasmuch as class struggle continues in a socialist society, it will be possible to thoroughly remove all insalubrious ideological elements and develop socialist national culture in a wholesome manner only when the class stand and the revolutionary principles of the working class are firmly observed, and only when all problems are solved in conformity with the interests and demands of the working class in cultural construction.

To observe the principle of party-orientation and working-class-orientation in building a national culture becomes all the more important particularly under the circumstances in which the imperialists are viciously carrying out ideological and cultural infiltration.

Cultural infiltration constitutes an important part of the imperialists' aggressive machinations and neocolonial policy.

The imperialists' reactionary culture is a drug that atrophies people's wholesome ideological consciousness and a harmful toxin that hampers the development of national culture. If we were to succumb to the reactionary ideological and cultural offensives of the imperialists and open the way for the moribund bourgeois ideologies and culture to infiltrate, then our national culture would go to seed, and people would become corrupt and decadent as a result of the corrosive effects of such infiltration, and capitalism would revive in social life. Therefore, only when the spearhead of the cultural revolution is directed principally at the cultural infiltration of the imperialists in order to thoroughly block the infiltration of bourgeois ideological toxins, will it be possible to develop our culture as a thoroughly party-oriented and working-class-oriented culture without the slightest deflection.

The thoroughgoing observance of the principle of party-orientation and working-class-orientation in building a national culture as elucidated by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song provides a firm guarantee for vigorously developing socialist national culture on a sound foundation.

To develop all aspects of culture with priority given to national education is the consistent policy our party has maintained in building a national culture.

Education is an important undertaking on which the future fate of our nation depends, as well as success in our efforts to build a new society. The struggle for the wealth, power, and development of the country and for the prosperity of the nation begins by educating the people, the executor of this struggle. Only by bringing up people as competent beings endowed with independent spirit and creativeness, and only by training a large number of national cadres through national education conducted on a priority basis, will it be possible to vigorously accelerate the building of new a society and make the country rich and strong in a short period of time.

The idea of building national culture elucidated by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song provides comprehensive, in-depth answers to all problems arising in developing all aspects of our culture.

The chuche-oriented ideas on national cultural construction as set forth by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song are being brilliantly inherited and developed.

The dear Comrade Kim Chong-il has set forth outstanding thoughts and policy on further developing socialist national culture in keeping with the progress in our revolution and the increasing cultural needs of the masses.

By setting forth his original idea of remodeling our culture according to the demands of chuche at the new developmental stage of the revolution in which the conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology has emerged in the foreground, the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il has provided the guiding principle for completely liberating the masses from the yoke of the outmoded culture and making them the true possessors of revolutionary culture.

The dear Comrade Kim Chong-il has presented the unique idea that a new national culture should be built by constantly popularizing a generalization of the culture that is created within the working class and by making the culture of the working-class dominate the whole country. This is a creative idea that clarifies the inevitable process of socialist and communist cultural construction and, as such it provides a firm guarantee to enable the party of the working class which has assumed sovereignty to build and develop a national culture to suit its intrinsic nature.

By coming up with its unique ideas on how to solve theoretical and practical problems arising in developing all aspects of culture, particularly ideas on waging the literary and art revolution, our party has made an enduring contribution to deepening and developing the idea of building chuche-oriented culture and art. By setting forth the policy of staging a literary and art revolution and by providing comprehensive and in-depth answers to all theoretical and practical problems arising in implementing this policy, our party has made it possible for our literature and art to bloom and develop into chuche-based literature and art suited to the needs and aspirations of the masses in an unprecedentedly short period of time.

The idea of building a chuche-oriented national culture, which was initiated by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and which is now being brilliantly carried on and developed by our party, is the most original and just idea. It reflects the needs of our time in which the masses who, in bygone days were subjected to contemptuous treatment and oppression, are vigorously accelerating the building of a new society, having emerged as masters in the arena of history. It is the program and beacon for cultural construction and it brightly illumines the way for successfully building a truly popular and revolutionary culture, namely, a socialist national culture, and for developing and bringing it into bloom.

From the days he entered on the road of building a new country, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has paid profound attention to cultural construction and wisely led the struggle to build and develop a new national culture as he traveled the high road to victory.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, defining cultural construction as an important task in socialist construction, has devoted his all to the consolidation of the ranks of intellectuals in order to vigorously push ahead with the building of a new national culture.

Intellectuals are the direct participants in national cultural construction, and the development of a country's national culture depends in large measure on their role. The party of the working class which has assumed the sovereignty will be able to rapidly develop all aspects of culture, such as science, technology, education, literature, and art, and successfully build socialism and communism, only when it has its own corps of intellectuals.

With profound insights into the important role intellectuals play in building a new society, into the acute shortage of intellectuals in bygone days due to the policy of obscurantism pursued by the Japanese imperialists, and into the peculiar characteristics of colonies, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has wisely led the country to train, in large numbers, intellectuals from among workers while winning over the allegiance of conventional intellectuals and indoctrinating and reshaping them.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song has enabled the intellectuals to actively contribute to building a new national culture by seeing to it that their revolutionization and working-classification are accelerated and their qualifications are constantly improved so that they can heighten their role in keeping with the ever intensifying and developing revolution and construction.

National culture can be successfully built only through the creative activities of broad circles of people. National culture is a product of the creative wisdom and activities of the masses.

Setting forth the policy of rapidly developing national culture by relying on the energies and wisdom of broad circles of people, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has wisely led us to correctly implement the revolutionary mass line in building socialist national culture. The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song saw to it that every member of society participated in the work of education and the whole society supported it and that efforts were made to develop education, science, and culture by strengthening creative cooperation among scientists, technicians, workers, and farmers and through the method of correctly combining the creative activities of professional writers and artists with the popular literary and art activities of the working masses.

Thanks to the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's sagacious leadership in the task of building socialist national culture, there has been a revolutionary turnaround in every facet of socialist cultural construction in our country.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"...Our party, putting up the cultural revolution as an important fighting task, has exerted great efforts in the socialist cultural construction and thus achieved brilliant success in every aspect of cultural construction." (Ibid, p 330)

As a result of the successful prosecution of the cultural revolution, today our country has become a country of education where all the people, young and old, study—a country where science and socialist literature and art are constantly blooming and developing at an ever higher level.

One of the great victories won in building socialist national culture is the radical change brought about in the field of education.

Chuche has been firmly established in education, the quality of education improved, and the sound material and technical foundations of education laid. With the implementation of universal 11-year compulsory education, all the younger generation is receiving a common secondary school education at state expense, numerous colleges and universities have been established, and a 1.25-million-man army of intellectuals has been raised in

our country. Our work of education, which started from scratch after liberation, has reached the high stage of turning the whole society into a society of intellectuals. In our country, national cadres whom we have trained by ourselves are excellently managing and operating all state and economic organizations; scientific and cultural organizations; factories, enterprises, and cooperative farms while the three revolutions—ideological, technological and cultural—are being vigorously advanced.

Signal success has also been made in the development of science and technology in the past.

Our scientists and engineers, upholding the party policy of firmly establishing *chuche* in developing science and technology, have successfully solved many scientific and technological problems by concentrating efforts on research work designed to boost the self-supporting capability and *chuche*-orientation of our national economy and to expedite the technological revolution. In recent years, by resolving new scientific and technological problems, our scientists and engineers opened the broad road for vinalon production and built large oxygen separators and 15,000-ton class super high-pressure hydraulic presses. These represent only a small portion of the important successes scored in the field of science and technology. This is an eloquent testimony to the rapid rate at which our science and technology have developed to an ever higher level. Our scientists, engineers, and technicians have also greatly contributed to erecting, in only 5 years, the formidable West Sea lockgate which required a high-standard of hydraulic engineering.

The dazzling development of our science and technology has been clearly illustrated by their capability in turning out large-size modern machines and equipment necessary for nature-remaking projects, along with all kinds of plant equipment, as smoothly as intended. Also it is illustrated by the new advance in the breeding methods of farm crops and crop cultivation methods. With numerous scientific and technological problems arising in various sectors of the national economy resolved, the *chuche*ization, modernization, and science-orientation of the national economy are accelerating in our country.

The brilliant efflorescence and development of *chuche*-oriented literature represents our most splendid success in building a socialist national culture.

Comrade Kim Chong-il, member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee and secretary of the party Central Committee, pointed out as follows:

"There has been a revolutionary turnaround in every facet of literature and art, and our literature and art has completely assumed the features of *chuche*-oriented literature and art."

With the successful prosecution of the literary and artistic revolution, a new turnaround has been made in all facets of literature and art, such as letters, cinematography, opera, drama, music, dance, fine art, and acrobatics, and our country has entered a golden age of literature and art in which our *chuche*-oriented literature and art, national in form and socialist in substance, are splendidly bursting into full bloom.

Excellent adapted in movies, operas, and novels, are such immortal classics as "Sea of Blood," "Fate of a Member of Self-Defense Force," "Flower Girl," "An Chung-kun Shoots Hirobumi Ito," and "Altar for a Local God," and the tradition of revolutionary literature and art founded by the great leader during the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle has come to be all the more brilliantly inherited and developed. A new era of revolutionary opera in the fashion of the "Sea of Blood" and of revolutionary plays in the style of the "Altar for a Local God" has come to be unfolded.

The creation of numerous works depicting the images of the leader represents a signal achievement of our literature and art.

Under party leadership, our writers and artists have created numerous literary and art works depicting the respected and beloved leader's greatness on a high ideological and artistic ground—such as revolutionary novels included in the anthology "Immortal History," and the revolutionary movie "Star of Korea," the music and dance epic "Song of Glory," and the great Samjiyon monument. These works depicting the images of the leader have made a great contribution in helping party members and workers gain a profound understanding of the respected and beloved leader's noble features as a great ideologist, politician, and strategist and sturdily arm themselves with the party's unitary ideological system.

Chuche-oriented literature and art have brilliantly solved the most important problems arising in building the revolutionary literature and art of the working class and explored the new frontier of socialist literature and art by producing numerous works depicting the leader's image at a high ideological and artistic level as described above.

Today our literature and art have excellently created the genuine models of the man of the new era, namely, the typical image of the *chuche*-type communist, thus serving as a textbook for life, a weapon of struggle, which provides profound artistic answers to problems concerning the independence of man and his political life. This clearly indicates the new state of development of our literature and art.

The creation and dissemination of a new scientific and plain choreographic method under the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il's peerless wisdom and outstanding leadership marks an event worthy of special mention in

mankind's cultural history. With the creation of the new choreographic method, our people have attained honor as a resourceful people who have made a great contribution to the development of the culture of our time and humankind. This is another pride and joy of our people and our nation in the era of the WPK.

Today in our country, mass art is also developing rapidly, with everyone, young and old, widely taking part in literary and artistic activities. This represents a brilliant victory for our party policy of popularizing literary and art activities. Our people are more actively participating in mass artistic activities to implement our party policy for the artistic-orientation of the whole country.

Our chuche-oriented literature and art, which have brilliantly blossomed under our party's wise leadership, has made an active contribution to add splendor to mankind's treasure house while serving as a model of the revolutionary literature and art of our time. No wonder the people of the world are praising and envying our chuche-oriented literature and art which have brilliantly burst into blossom under party leadership, calling it "the most ideal art symbolizing the art of mankind in modern times."

What makes us particularly proud of our blossoming and developing national culture is that as a result of the brilliant implementation of the party policy on correctly inheriting and developing our national cultural heritage, many precious ancient cultural treasures—products of the resourcefulness and talents of our people—have been extensively uncovered and have come to reveal their brilliance in the era of the WPK. In our country, under party leadership, numerous cultural treasures which were created in our long history have been uncovered; folk songs, folk dances, and other legacies of art have been widely collected; "Chronicles of the Yi Dynasty" and other historical and cultural classics have been translated or restored to their original brilliance and are being enjoyed together by the people of our time.

The epochal development of public health work is one of the important achievements scored by our party in cultural construction.

The most outstanding socialist public health system by which the state takes care of the health of the people in a responsible manner has long been established in our country.

Our people live without having to worry about medical care thanks to the benefits of the universal free medicare system and enjoy good health and long life thanks to the state's disease prevention policy. The average life span of our people has risen to 74 years, a 36-year increase from the preliberation days. Thus our people's centuries-old cherished desire to enjoy good health and happiness has been brilliantly realized.

Under the banner of the press revolution, the media revolution and the publication revolution advocated by the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il, a new turnaround has been made in the field of the press and publication. As a result, our people everywhere read newspapers, magazines, and various other publications—a powerful instrument of mass indoctrination—and listen to broadcasts and watch television to improve their levels of ideological and cultural education. The numerous modern theaters, movie houses, amusement parks, and other cultural facilities built everywhere in our country are satisfying the cultural needs of the people.

Factories, enterprises, and cooperative farms, as well as cities and villages, have been beautified; all workers are highly dignified and disciplined and are leading a frugal life. All this is indicative of the wholesome life style of our people.

In the field of physical education, too, signal progress has been made. Sports have been popularized and become part of daily life, helping all our people improve their physical strength.

More than 40 years have passed since our country was liberated from the colonial yoke of the Japanese imperialists. Prodigious indeed are the achievements made by our people in this period in building and developing genuine national culture, namely, socialist national culture. This great triumph and impressive record are a powerful demonstration of the validity and enduring vitality of the idea of building socialist national culture elucidated by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

By brilliantly implementing the great leader's idea of building socialist national culture, the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il has provided comprehensive answers to all problems arising in remodeling our culture according to the demands of chuche and is leading the work of cultural construction down the straight road to victory.

The great victory scored in building a socialist national culture under the sagacious leadership of the respected and beloved leader, as well as the brilliant prospect of progress opening in cultural development which is vigorously accelerating under the tested leadership of our party, is giving our functionaries in the cultural field and our workers ever higher pride and self-confidence and ever greater faith and courage.

All party members, workers, and men of culture, cherishing deep in their hearts their infinite national pride and revolutionary self-confidence and their immense honor and happiness in living and carrying on the revolution under the lofty leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il, should make socialist national culture burst into bloom still more splendidly by thoroughly implementing the party policy to enhance our culture, and to constantly develop it to suit the needs for the conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology.

The Respected and Beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il-song Is the Great Lodestar of the Fatherland's Reunification

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[Text] The fatherland's reunification is the supreme desire of the nation and an urgent task that brooks no delay.

At the front of the sacred struggle to achieve our people's historic cause of the nation to reunify the divided fatherland stands the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, the sun of the nation.

Thanks to the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song illuminating the path to reunification of the fatherland with the glorious rays of the chuche idea and wisely leading the struggle to achieve it, our people, by overcoming mounting difficulties and trials, are accelerating the advance of the day of reunification, the historic day when the entire nation will move forward along the road of progress and prosperity.

Achieving the independent and peaceful reunification of the country during the generation by holding in high esteem the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song as the lodestar of the fatherland's reunification and by following the leadership of the party is the firm faith and unchanging will of all the Korean people.

(1) The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, by putting forth the unique idea and theory for reunifying the fatherland based on the immortal chuche idea, has illuminated the most adequate path toward realizing the cause of independent and peaceful reunification.

Our's is a homogeneous nation that has maintained a single bloodline and a single language on the same soil throughout its long history. Since the liberation, however, due to the U.S. imperialist aggressors' armed occupation of South Korea, our fatherland has been divided into North and South, and our people have suffered the new disaster of national division. The division of the nation and its territory has inflicted unendurable misfortune and agony on the South Korean people and has created a grave obstacle to the uniform development of Korean society as a whole. It is over this course that our people have faced the urgent historic task of achieving the reunification of the divided fatherland by overcoming the tragedy of national division.

Reunification of the divided fatherland is a matter of recovering territory and people from foreign imperialist aggressors and achieving national sovereignty as a whole and a matter of eliminating distrust and confrontation between the North and the South and achieving national unity. The cause of reunifying the fatherland, for which the questions of achieving national sovereignty as a

whole and of achieving national unity should be uniformly settled simultaneously, is a very difficult and complicated task and an absolutely unfamiliar and unprecedented task. The historic cause of the nation that urgently faces our people required an ideology and theory for its victory. To have or not have correct ideology and theory has become a fundamental question to realizing reunification of the fatherland and the destiny of the nation. This important question of putting forth the ideology and theory to open the path of the complicated cause of reunification could have been brilliantly settled only by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who possesses extraordinary wisdom and resources, exercises outstanding leadership, and has rich revolutionary experiences.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who created the immortal chuche idea in the early days and has brilliantly pioneered the future of the era and revolution, has opened the most adequate path for realizing reunification of the fatherland by putting forth the unique ideology and theory on the question of reunification of the fatherland based on his deep analysis of the nature and character of the reunification question.

Taking the most important place in the ideology and theory of reunifying the fatherland put forth by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the basic policy of reunifying the fatherland.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has taught: The basic policy our party invariably maintains in the struggle to reunify the fatherland is to achieve reunification of the country independently, based on the democratic principle, and in a peaceful way by the Korean people themselves, without foreign interference. ("Kim Il-song Selected Works," Vol 30, p 546)

Achieving reunification of the fatherland independently, based on the democratic principle, and in a peaceful way means to settle all reunification questions by ourselves according to our people's wishes and interests without foreign interference and by way of negotiation, without recourse to the force of arms.

The basic policy of reunifying the fatherland elucidated by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is a unique ideology that has given the most appropriate answer to the fundamental question on the stand, principle, and method to be adopted in achieving reunification of the fatherland. It is a most righteous policy by which the cause of reunification can successfully be achieved without discrepancy.

The correctness of the basic policy of reunifying the fatherland is, above all, its comprehensive embodiment of the chuche idea.

The *chuche* idea calls for the masses of the people to maintain an independent and creative stand in revolution and construction. An independent and creative stand is a fundamental stand and a method for successfully solving all the problems of the revolution and construction by one's own effort according to the wishes and interests of one's own country and its situation.

The masters of the reunification of the fatherland are the Korean people, and a decisive force in achieving the cause of reunification of the fatherland lies in the might of the Korean people. It is only the Korean people who directly suffer the agony of national division and who grieve most over it. It is only the Korean people who most yearn for reunification, with life-and-death interests in the question of reunifying the fatherland. At the same time, those who are most fully aware of the specific situation of Korea are the Korean people, and those who can most correctly settle the question of reunifying the fatherland according to our people's aspirations and demands are also the Korean people. Reunification of the fatherland can be successfully achieved only by our nation's own effort. No one can settle the reunification question on behalf of the Korean people. By depending on foreign forces, the reunification question cannot be correctly settled. This will only deepen subjugation and raise the barrier of national division even higher. Our people, who have directly suffered the humiliation of foreign aggression and flunkeyism, can never leave the reunification question in the hands of other people. The basic policy of reunifying the fatherland, by embodying the demand of the *chuche* idea most correctly, illuminates the path toward realizing reunification of the country by the efforts of the Korean people—the masters of reunification—according to the absolute wishes and demands of the nation and the situation of our country, not by depending on foreign forces.

The correctness of the basic policy of reunifying the fatherland also lies in its most precise reflection of our nation's urgent stake and demands, and its absolute suitability to the situation of our country.

Reunification of the fatherland is the sacred cause of pioneering the destiny of our nation and realizing the unanimous desire of our people. This historic cause of the nation can successfully be achieved only when it is led by an ideology and theory that correctly reflects what is at stake and the demands of the nation and shows the fundamental stand, principle, and method used to mobilize its wisdom and might to the maximum extent.

Reunification of our country is not a matter of international dispute. It is an internal affair of our nation. According to the principle of national self-determination, this question must be settled by our people themselves. No foreign force has the right to intervene. Only our people have the right and ability to settle the question of reunification of the fatherland. Only by thoroughly rejecting foreign forces and fully exercising

national sovereignty can all the problems related to realizing reunification of the fatherland be solved through our people's own might and wisdom.

The cause of reunifying the fatherland is work done on behalf of the interests of the entire nation, work that can be achieved only through pan-national effort. The reunification question can never be settled through the opinion of any region, class, faction, or individual personages in the North or the South. Apart from the interests of the working people—the absolute majority of the nation—national interest is unthinkable. At the same time, if their wishes are ignored, realizing the cause of reunifying the fatherland is inconceivable. The cause of reunifying the fatherland can be vigorously carried out only when the people of the North and South turn out unanimously and only according to their wishes.

Before the question of reunifying the fatherland to recover the severed national linkage, there is no reason for our people to fight against one another. Our people desire no war. They desire to reunify the fatherland peacefully by avoiding fratricide by all means. The North and the South are under different systems dominated by different ideologies. However the question of reunifying the fatherland can be peacefully settled, if priority is given to national interests and if grand national unity is achieved.

The basic policy to reunify the fatherland independently, on democratic principle, and in a peaceful way also fully agrees with the demand of our era to seek independence and with the desire of the people of the world who seek peace.

The Korean people's struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the fatherland is part of the just struggle for peace, national liberation, and progress of the people of the world. It is developing in close linkage with the overall international situation.

Our people's cause of reunifying the fatherland can earn the active support and encouragement of the people of the world only when it is achieved based on principles and methods that agree with the aspirations and demands of the era and the people of the world.

Our era is the era of independence. Today, the people of the world demand independence and are advancing along the road of independence. This is the main trend of our era, which nothing can block. Peace is the common desire of mankind, and today all the people of the world unanimously oppose war and desire peace.

Today, the Korean Peninsula is the area where the situation is most tense and strained in the world. The U.S. imperialist aggressors have turned South Korea into the largest nuclear base in the Far East and ceaselessly continue war provocation maneuvers. Under these circumstances, a danger of war, which may break out at any moment, has been created in our country. If a war breaks

out in Korea, it will easily escalate into a global thermonuclear war, which would pose a grave threat to the peace of Asia and the world.

Indeed, an embodiment of the immortal *chuche* idea for the struggle to achieve national sovereignty, the basic policy of reunifying the fatherland elucidated by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the most just policy that fully agrees with the national desire of our people for peace in Korean and its peaceful reunification, and with the trend of the era advancing along the road of independence. It is a guiding principle that must be firmly maintained in achieving the cause of reunifying the fatherland.

The proposal for founding the Democratic Confederal Republic of Koryo [DCRK], which the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song put forth at the Sixth Party Congress, is the most realistic method through which reunification of the fatherland can be achieved based on the principles of independence, peaceful reunification, and grand national unity. It is a program of reunifying the fatherland.

The DCRK confederation, unlike multination and multistate confederations or multiracial and multiautonomy confederations established under the same ideology and the same system, is a single-nation, single-state, and two-system confederation to be established under different ideologies and systems. Thus, it is a unique reunification method of our own style that explores a new path toward establishing a confederal state. Thanks to the reunification method of our own style that explores a new path toward establishing a confederal state. Thanks to the reunification method the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has elucidated to establish a confederal state, our people have come to have a firm guiding principle to accelerate the independent and peaceful reunification of the fatherland based on the ideas and principles of the 4 July North-South joint statement, and have become able to more convincingly carry out the struggle for peaceful reunification.

The ideology and theory concerning reunifying the country set forth by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the only just guiding policy and a mighty militant banner that firmly guarantees the victory of the cause of reunifying the country as it gives the most correct answer to all the complicated problems that arise in solving the problems of reunification by totally imbuing the *chuche* idea.

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The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has put forward reasonable proposals to realize the independent and peaceful reunification of the country and has wisely led our people in carrying them through.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has taught: Since the first day of the division of the country, our party and the government of the republic have put forward the

policy and various reasonable proposals to reunify the country independently, on the principle of democracy, and peacefully and have made consistent efforts to realize them. ("Answer to question posed by the vice president of GRANMA, the organ of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba," in booklet form, page 5)

Prompted from a firm independent position, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has put forward epochal reunification proposals one after another in conformity with the situation created at every stage of development of the revolution, and has taken every step to relieve fellow countrymen of pain and to facilitate reunification. The refined leadership of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song shines clearly on the road of our people's struggle for independent and peaceful reunification over the past 40 years.

The joint meeting of delegates of political parties and public organizations of the North and the South of Korea, held in April 1948, was a historic event that realized the grand unity of patriotic forces of the North and the South under the banner of national salvation and a shining revelation of the outstanding leadership and unequalled broad-mindedness of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song. Obstinate conservative politicians who participated in the North-South joint meeting were moved by the great leader's wisdom of foresight, noble virtue, infinitely broad mindedness, and accommodating capacity. They, therefore, repented the wrongs they had committed in the past and joined the road of alliance and collaboration with communism. Because they joined the road of alliance with communism and because the people launched into the anti-U.S. struggle for national salvation, the farce of unilateral "elections" conducted by the U.S. imperialists under the inspection of the "UN Korean Commission" was practically frustrated.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who humbled the pride of the haughty U.S. imperialists in the 1950's when they attempted to colonize all of Korea and who defended the national dignity and honor, put forward, after the war, constructive reunification proposals, including free visits between people in the North and South and North-South exchanges in the fields of economy, culture, science, and art, and opened an advantageous phase on the road of our people's struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification.

In the 1960's, a new military fascist regime emerged in South Korea, those, at home and abroad, who advocated splitting maneuvered for perpetual division, and the differences in systems between the North and South increased. Based on his scientific analysis of the subjective and objective situation created in the country, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song put forward a plan for national salvation that concerned holding North-South general elections and creating a North-South confederal

state system as a transitional measure and exercised his leadership so that the struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country could be waged more actively.

In the 1970's, the yearning of our people for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country became more ardent than ever before. Meanwhile, the confrontation between the anti-imperialist peace-loving forces and the imperialist aggressive forces became extremely acute in the international arena. The U.S. imperialists' Asia policy faced a crisis of total collapse, and the South Korean ruling clique trembled with anxiety. This led to the demand that our people take the initiative and pioneer the road to reunification. Based on his scientific insight into the rapidly changing situation, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, on 6 August 1971, made a historic speech that put forward a broad negotiation policy between North and South, thereby dragging the South Korean puppets, who had stubbornly opposed any contact between the North and South, to the conference table. It opened a breakthrough in the barrier between the North and the South, which had been closed for the protracted period of a quarter of a century. It was entirely a product of the shining fruition of the outstanding and refined leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song that the dialogue between the North and the South was opened and the South Korean puppets were compelled to sign the North-South joint statement, the major contents of which were the three principles for reunification of the country.

Traitor Pak Chong-hui, frightened by the heightening aspirations of the South Korean people for peaceful reunification after the issuance of the North-South joint statement, violently trampled upon the agreements of the 4 July North-South joint statement, manipulated by the U.S. imperialists. He plunged onto the road of dependence on foreign forces, war, fascism, and division; and by issuing the so-called "special statement," openly declared the "two Koreas" plot to be a "policy." At that grave time when the country and the nation were exposed to the danger of perpetual division, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song proclaimed to the entire nation the famous five policies of reunifying the country. Hence, the "two Koreas" plot of those, at home and abroad, who advocated a split had to suffer a great blow immediately, and their so-called "special statement" was exposed to the world as a declaration of national division and of abandoning dialogue.

During that time, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song conducted energetic external activities, turning the international environment to the advantage of reunifying the country. Therefore, voices supporting the reunification of Korea rang out everywhere around the world, the "committee of solidarity with the Korean people," the "committee to support the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea," and the "international liaison committee for the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea" were founded in many countries and

regions of the world, and world meetings to support our people's cause to reunify the country were held one after another. At the same time, a fundamental change took place over the 30-year history in which the U.S. imperialists monopolized the United Nations and used it as an instrument of aggression against Korea. The 28th UN General Assembly fully welcomed the three principles for reunifying the country set forth by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and adopted a decision to immediately disband the "UN Korean Reunification and Rehabilitation Agency." The 30th UN General Assembly adopted a resolution demanding disbandment of the "UN Forces Command," to make all foreign armed forces withdraw from South Korea, and to convert the armistice agreement into a peace agreement. This is a great victory for the policy of peaceful reunification and the independent and fundamental foreign policy elucidated by the respected and beloved leader.

The U.S. imperialists and the South Korean ruling clique, who were isolated and rejected at home and abroad and who fell into a bind from which they had no way out, followed the road to further aggravate confrontation and tension in the 1980's. It became impossible to successfully solve any problems to reunify the country unless the ever-aggravating confrontation and tension was brought to an end. Therefore, ensuring peace and providing advantageous conditions for peaceful reunification became the most urgent issues in solving the problem of reunifying the country.

Based on his accurate analysis and appraisal of the subjective and objective situation that had been created, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song put forward a reasonable proposal to ease tension and provide a precondition for peaceful reunification.

The proposals we have made in recent years—the proposal for holding tripartite talks among us and the United States and South Korea and converting the Korean Armistice Agreement into a peace agreement and adopting a nonaggression declaration between the North and the South, the proposal for holding North-South parliamentary talks and issuing a joint declaration of nonaggression, the proposal for taking the initiative of not conducting military exercises and holding talks between persons in authority, and the proposal for making the Korean Peninsula a nuclear-free peace zone—were all measures for national salvation to ensure peace on the Korean Peninsula and provide a precondition for peaceful reunification. That we took the initiative to provide North-South dialogue in many fields, taking advantage of our supply of relief goods for the South Korean flood victims, and conducted the mutual exchange of the Red Cross art troupes and home-visiting groups was prompted by the objective to resolve long accumulated misunderstanding and distrust and provide a climate advantageous for peaceful reunification.

In particular, at the historic first session of the Eighth SPA session, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song advanced a new peace proposal to hold high-level North-South political and military talks. The proposal to hold

high-level North-South political and military talks is the most reasonable and realistic proposal for national salvation to bring an end to the acute political and military confrontation that prevails between the North and the South and to achieve a new breakthrough in peaceful reunification by means of dialogue and negotiations.

The proposal to hold high-level North-South political and military talks is the brilliant fruition of the wise leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who is always paving the way for reunifying the fatherland with uncommon wisdom, outstanding leadership, great magnanimity, and generosity.

This is an epochal proposal that, to achieve a new breakthrough in peace and in the peaceful reunification of the country, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song advanced after profoundly analyzing the situation in the country. Mistrust and confrontation between the North and the South are at their limits. Inspired by outside forces, the South Korean puppets are kicking up slanderous anticommunist maneuvers in an unprecedentedly vicious manner, while finding fault with even our peaceful construction of the Kumkangsan power station. They are also harshly suppressing the patriotic South Korean youths, students, and people who have risen up for independence, democracy, and reunification, and groundlessly linked them to us. Today, political confrontation between the North and the South is at its gravest moment ever in the history of the 40-year division. Military confrontation between the North and the South is at its peak. The U.S. and South Korean warmongers have already deployed approximately 1,000 nuclear weapons in South Korea. Not satisfied with this, they are also continuously introducing new nuclear weapons and the means of nuclear delivery and are conducting "Team Spirit" joint military exercises by mobilizing approximately 200,000 combat troops in order to launch a preemptive nuclear strike against us. After deploying 80 to 90 percent of their forces at the front, they seek only an opportunity to ignite the fuse of war. If this acute political and military confrontation is not brought to an end, North-South relations cannot improve and war may break out at any time in our country. It is the most timely plan to bring an end to aggravated political confrontation between the North and the South and to alleviate acute military confrontation between them.

The proposal to hold high-level North-South political and military talks is a plan for national salvation that the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has advanced to resolve the current difficult situation, to achieve a new breakthrough for peace in and the peaceful reunification of the country, and to continuously and vigorously push ahead with the cause of reunifying the fatherland. Without aggravated political confrontation between the North and the South being brought to an end and without acute military confrontation being alleviated, no positive measure can be taken for peace in and the peaceful reunification of the country. Dialogue cannot be successfully held with guns being aimed at each other.

Moreover, no matter how often such dialogue may be held, there can be no beneficial results for the nation. Alleviating acute political and military confrontation between the North and the South is the key to removing the impending danger of war on the Korean Peninsula and achieving a new breakthrough in peace and peaceful reunification. The question of bringing to an end the political and military confrontation between the North and the South cannot be resolved in working-level talks, but only when political and military authorities of the North and the South—persons concerned who are directly responsible for it [political and military confrontation]—sit face to face with each other in one place. If good results are brought about in the proposal to hold high-level North-South political and military talks, mistrust, which has accumulated for decades between the north and the south, will be removed, acute tension will be alleviated, and multifaceted dialogue will be held successfully in a good atmosphere. Then, even the highest-level North-South talks can be held and the basic questions concerning realizing reunification of the country can be discussed and resolved in these talks.

The proposal to hold high-level North-South political and military talks is the brilliant manifestation of the spirit of loving the country and the nation and the tolerance and generosity of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who tries to open mindedly resolve knotty problems even by sitting with those who have engaged in anticommunist confrontation and who have provoked war against us. This he is willing to do if it will reunify the fatherland.

Because it is just and feasible, this policy is eliciting, with the passage of time, more support and sympathy among Korean compatriots at home and abroad and among the people of the world

As a result of such epochal measures for peace, dialogue, and reunification in our country which have been taken repeatedly by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, and because of his wise leadership over our people's struggle toward this end, a new favorable phase has been opened for the path for peace, dialogue, and reunification.

With his truly outstanding and tested leadership, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has led our people's cause for independent and peaceful reunification on a straightforward and victorious road, linking one chronicle of struggle to another.

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Thanks to the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's great *chuche* idea and his ever-victorious tactics and strategy and his wise leadership, the ability to achieve reunification has increased extraordinarily and the situation is generally becoming more favorable to our cause for peace.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has taught: Great progress has been made in the struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country thanks to our party's just policy for national reunification and its tireless efforts toward this end.

With the three great tasks—the acceleration of socialist construction in the northern half of the republic, active support for the South Korean people in their struggle for an independent and democratic society, and strengthening the solidarity with international revolutionary forces—carried out, a firm foundation capable of hastening the day of national reunification and a decisively favorable situation have been provided. No last-ditch efforts by those, within and without, who advocate splitting can tear this down. It also firmly guarantees the indomitable nature of our cause—independent and peaceful reunification—and a bright future for it.

The northern half of the republic has now been firmly built as a strong fortress for national reunification. All people in the country are firmly united around the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the party in one single ideology and will. They are also vigorously struggling and tirelessly advancing to hasten the complete victory of socialism and national reunification. The indomitable unity and cohesion of all the people in the country who are rallied around the party and leader and the high degree of their earnest desire for national reunification has dealt a severe blow to the anticommunist confrontation and war maneuvers of the U.S. imperialists and their lackeys.

Running parallel to the socialist encampment being firmly organized in the northern half is the surge being effected in the South Korean people's struggle for a society governed by independence and democracy; and amid the surge of these two forms of struggles, the reunification-aspiring patriotic force is rapidly growing and becoming stronger.

The patriotic youths, students, and people in South Korea who toppled the puppet Syngman Rhee regime with the 19 April struggle; buried the Yusin dictatorship by their struggle for democracy in Pusan and Masan, and rocked the foundation of the U.S. imperialists' colonial rule in South Korea with their heroic Kwangju popular uprising are tenaciously staging daily the just and patriotic struggle to make South Korea a society governed by independence and democracy. The youths and students who were awakened by the bloody lesson of the Kwangju popular uprising and who have been tested in the course of the tenacious struggle have not only formed mass organizations of various stripes despite the harsh suppression by the U.S. imperialists and the puppet clique, but are also accelerating the cause of raising the consciousness of people in all walks of life and guiding them in mass organizations and strengthening and developing the solidarity struggle with them. This is clearly shown by the recent struggle of the South Korean youths, students, intellectuals, religious figures, and democratic

figures who, shouting such slogans as "Yankee, go home," "Let us overthrow the fascist regime," and "Abolish the national policy of anticommunism," fought daily against the torture death of patriotic youths and students by the fascist military elements and against the "Team Spirit-87" joint military exercise conducted by the U.S. imperialists and their lackeys.

No vicious maneuvers can help the U.S. imperialists and their lackeys keep the patriotic South Korean youths, students, and people from advancing, nor can they save the fate of the traitor Chon Tu-hwan who now faces his demise.

The struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country is also staged with vigor by Korean compatriots abroad, including the 700,000 Korean compatriots residing in Japan and those in the United States, West Germany, and Canada. Lately, they have formed consultative organizations and liaison offices for national unity through their dialogue with the compatriots in the fatherland, and through these organizations they are keeping in step with the compatriots in the fatherland in the nationwide struggle for national reunification.

Thus, all the patriotic forces at home and abroad are advancing by rallying firmly around a single trend—the vigorous stream moving toward national reunification.

The international solidarity movement for the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea is also gathering momentum.

Because it is just, our people's struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the fatherland is now provoking great repercussions. Voices supporting our people's cause of national reunification reverberate loudly in various countries in the world, including the socialist and nonaligned countries, and a wide range of people in the world are raising their voices strongly calling for the immediate withdrawal of the U.S. troops from South Korea, along with all sorts of weapons of mass destruction, including nuclear weapons. The question of Korea's reunification has become a focus in global politics, and support for Korea's cause of national reunification has become a trend of the times.

The ranks of people who support and sympathize with our people's cause are swelling with each passing day. The international solidarity with Korea's cause of national reunification is becoming stronger and its unity with the international revolutionary forces is being consolidated. This is clear evidence of the great vitality of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's energetic external activity and his policy for independent and peaceful reunification.

The correct lines and tactical and strategic policies for national reunification put forward by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and his wise leadership dedicated

to realizing these lines and policies are the source of strength that enables our people to vigorously stage the struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the fatherland and to consummate the struggle.

The division of the country, which marks its 42d anniversary, should not be allowed to continue any longer, and national reunification should be achieved at an early date. The longer the division continues, the more our people will lose their attributes as a homogeneous people; the deeper the misunderstanding, distrust, and confrontation between the North and South will become; and the pains, tragedy, and disasters our people will be forced to suffer will grow.

A great many difficulties and ordeals still lie ahead on the road toward the independent and peaceful reunification of the fatherland. Only when all the Korean compatriots in the North and South and abroad smash, at every step and with united strength, the maneuvers by the U.S. imperialists and the South Korean puppets can they achieve the long-standing national aspiration—national reunification—thereby fulfilling the noble mission they bear before history and the nation. All the people in the North and South and compatriots abroad should more vigorously stage the struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the fatherland in nationwide unity based on the principle of the great national unity, where people with strength offer strength, intellectual people offer their knowledge, and people with technology offer their technology, regardless of their past.

At the same time, we should continue to create a more favorable international environment for national reunification by further strengthening the solidarity with the peace-loving people in the world.

Our people, who are tirelessly advancing the struggle by rallying firmly around the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, the great ideologue and theoretician, the sun of the nation, and the lodestar of national reunification, and around the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il, will without fail establish a single, unified, wealthy, and prosperous Korea on the land of 3,000 ri.

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The Great Leader Comrade Kim Il-song Is the Benevolent Father of Our Overseas Compatriots
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[Text] For more than 60 years since he embarked upon the road of revolution in his early youth, the respected and beloved leader Marshal Kim Il-song has amassed an immortal record of revolutionary achievements which will shine forever in history while leading the Korean revolution on the high road to glorious victory under the great banner of the chuche ideology.

Most brilliant among these immortal revolutionary achievements which will be extolled for generations to come are his great achievements in charting and leading the destiny of our overseas compatriots, holding them in his affectionate bosom.

Setting forth his original ideas on the movement of overseas Koreans with his chuche-oriented wisdom, the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song has illuminated the road for overseas Koreans to explore in search of their destiny and, by brilliantly applying these ideas, has opened a new glorious chapter in the history of the chuche-oriented movement of Koreans in Japan.

By looking up to the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song as their leader, our overseas compatriots have come to transform themselves into the most dignified and proud overseas citizens of chuche Korea from their former status of being the most miserable sufferers in history and begun to carve out their own future independently and creatively as masters of their own destiny.

No wonder our Chongnyon functionaries and the 700,000 Korean compatriots in Japan are extending the highest honors and warmest gratitude to the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song, the boundlessly benevolent father of our overseas compatriots, with a feeling of infinite admiration and loyalty and are wishing him good health and long life.

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The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song is the great ideological theoretician who has illuminated the most correct way for solving the question of overseas Koreans.

Comrade Kim Chong-il, member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the WPK and secretary of the party Central Committee, pointed out as follows:

"The leader set forth his original thoughts and theories on the movement of overseas compatriots a long time ago on the basis of the chuche ideology, the great guiding ideology of our time, namely, the chuche era, and ever since has brilliantly applied these thoughts and theories to the movement of Koreans in Japan."

Solving the question of overseas Koreans is one of the historical problems which has assumed great urgency in our time.

The question of overseas compatriots boils down to that of protecting their independence and charting their destiny.

To successfully solve the question of overseas Koreans, there should be the right guiding principles by which to correctly solve various complex theoretical and practical problems involved.

By analyzing the status of overseas Koreans and the actual state of their struggles in accordance with the profound *chuche* ideology and through the exercise of his penetrating insights, the respected and beloved leader Marshal Kim Il-song set forth his thoughts and theories on the movement of overseas compatriots and thus provided the guiding principles for charting their destiny.

To clarify the genesis of the question of overseas Koreans is the starting point for correctly solving this question. Only when this clarification is made, will it be possible to elucidate the essential nature of the movement of overseas compatriots and accurately define the basic direction of this movement.

On the basis of a profound analysis of the question of overseas Koreans, the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song has elucidated that the current question of overseas Koreans is in essence a special aspect of national problems which have arisen as an aftermath of imperialist colonial rule.

In bygone days, due to the forcible occupation of Korea by the Japanese imperialists and their ruthless colonial policy, numerous Koreans lost their sources of living and had to emigrate overseas. In addition, a large number of other Koreans were forcibly taken to foreign lands as cannon fodder or as a labor force needed to execute the the Japanese imperialists' policy of aggression. They were long subjected to discriminations and all sorts of contempt as a race in foreign lands and were forced to live in subhuman conditions. Thus the question of overseas Koreans which arose as an aftermath of the Japanese imperialists' aggression against our country has long remained as an acute problem due to the Japanese reactionaries' unwarranted policy of discrimination against the race.

With the historical origin of the question of overseas compatriots scientifically elucidated by the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song, the crimes of the imperialists in trampling under foot their national dignity and rights have been fully laid bare and the movement of overseas Koreans has come to be clarified as a link in the Japanese reactionaries struggle to protect the independence of the people.

By applying the basic principles of the *chuche* ideology, the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song has elucidated that the movement of overseas Koreans, though waged abroad, is a national patriotic movement which serves their fatherland and the revolution in their country.

To say that this movement of overseas Koreans is a national patriotic movement is to say that the movement is at once a national patriotic movement to protect their national rights and interests and a patriotic movement which contributes to the independent development of their home country.

Inasmuch as the question of overseas Koreans stems from the imperialists' deprivation of Korea of its national sovereignty, the movement of overseas Korean compatriots got to be a struggle to protect their national dignity and rights. The fate of overseas Korean compatriots is linked to the fate of their fatherland and their nation. Under the current circumstances in which revolution and construction are being carried out in each nation state as a unit, the question of overseas Korean compatriots, specifically, the question of charting their fate, can be successfully resolved only by means of charting the destiny of their fatherland and their nation. It follows that the movement of overseas Koreans should be thoroughly subordinated to the revolution in their fatherland always as a part and parcel of this revolution.

With the nature of the movement of overseas Korean compatriots clarified for the first time, the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song has defined it as the cardinal duty which should be gripped tightly in this movement to fight for the reunification of their fatherland, to protect the democratic national rights of overseas Koreans, and to support their socialist fatherland in every possible way.

With the nature and basic duty of the movement of overseas Korean compatriots in our time clarified by the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song, our overseas compatriots have come to find the real way for most magnificently contributing to their fatherland, their nation, and the revolution in their fatherland.

The movement of overseas Korean compatriots is a political struggle waged in foreign lands. In view of this characteristic the question of leadership of this movement assumes particular importance.

The movement of overseas Korean compatriots as a struggle to enable them to realize their independence should come under the unitary leadership of the political leader who takes the responsibility of leading the destiny of their nation. Only under the unitary leadership of the leader will the movement of overseas Koreans be able to solve their problems independently and creatively, upholding the revolutionary thoughts of the leader as its guide and carrying out all its activities in accordance with his ideas and intentions. With the elucidation of the outstanding idea that the leader's unitary leadership should be established in the movement of overseas Koreans, the old dogmatic view insisting that it should come under the leadership of the vanguard organization in the host country has been overcome, with a new historical turnaround achieved in the charting of the fate of overseas Koreans.

For overseas Koreans to successfully chart their destiny, they should take the right position and attitude with regard to their movement.

The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song has provided a correct answer to the question of the movement of Koreans overseas by scientifically elucidating, on the basis of the fundamental principles of the chuche ideology, the basic principles which should be abided by in this movement.

To establish chuche is the most important principle that should be observed in the movement of overseas Korean compatriots.

The movement of overseas Koreans proceeds under a situation entirely different from that in their homeland. Only by establishing chuche in this movement will it be possible to overcome flunkeyism, dogmatism and national nihilism and thus conduct all activities independently and bring up overseas Koreans as competent beings capable of charting their own destiny.

Another basic principle that should be observed in the movement of overseas Koreans is that of realizing national unity.

Realizing national unity in the movement of overseas Koreans means tightly banding together all overseas Koreans who can join forces to promote the common good of the nation.

The movement of overseas Koreans is not aimed at promoting the interests of any particular class or any particular stratum but is a mass movement to promote the common national interests of overseas Koreans. Only by maintaining the principle of national unity will the movement of overseas Koreans be able to consolidate its mass base and make triumphant progress by relying on the united might of the masses of overseas compatriots.

In addition, the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song has elucidated his comprehensive thoughts and theories on various issues concerning the movement of overseas Koreans, such as the issue of preparing chuche-oriented forces of the movement of overseas Koreans, problems concerning the form, method, and leadership of the this movement.

The thoughts and theories set forth by the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song on the movement of overseas Koreans constitute a powerful ideological and theoretical weapon which will firmly guarantee a brilliant solution to the question of the movement of overseas Koreans and the triumph of this movement, and they also constitute an inspirational banner which will vigorously spur on overseas Koreans in the noble struggle to chart their own destiny.

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The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song is the great helmsman who has created a brilliant model of the movement of overseas Koreans.

A great thought will be brilliantly implemented in revolutionary practice and will bear its splendid fruit only when it is linked to an outstanding, tested leadership.

By wisely leading the struggle of Koreans in Japan to implement his thoughts and theories on the movement of overseas Koreans, the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song has enabled the movement of Koreans in Japan to attain the splendid reality of pressing hard on the heels of the enemy under the banner of the chuche ideology.

Occupying a brilliant place in the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song's leadership of the movement of Koreans in Japan is his achievement in shifting the direction of this movement to a chuche-oriented line and organizing Koreans in Japan into a chuche-type overseas organization.

Comrade Kim Chong-il, member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the KWP Central Committee and secretary of the party Central Committee, pointed out:

"At a time of severe trial when the movement of Koreans in Japan stood at the crossroads due to erroneous machinations of the flunkeyists, dogmatists, and xenophobes, the leader set forth the policy of shifting the direction of this movement to the chuche-oriented line and established Chongnyon."

At one time, those imbued in flunkeyism, dogmatism, and xenophobia led the movement of Koreans in Japan on the road of ultra leftist adventurism in the interest of revolution in the host country. Still worse, the unprecedented intensification of persecution and oppression by the Japanese reactionaries at the instigation of the U.S. imperialists forced enormous sacrifices upon Koreans in Japan and brought the movement of Koreans in Japan to verge of a demise.

The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song seeing through the prevailing situation with his clairvoyance, set forth the policy of shifting the line of the movement of Koreans in Japan.

The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"All Korean compatriots in Japan, rich and poor, although they live abroad, should wage a struggle for the independence and freedom of their fatherland, solidly unite around the government of the republic.... This is the road the movement of Koreans in Japan should take."

The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song's policy of shifting the line was the most legitimate policy which clearly showed the way for saving the grave situation prevailing at the time, for turning the movement of Koreans in Japan into a genuine patriotic movement to support and protect their fatherland, and for contributing to the Korean revolution.

As a result of the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song's adoption of the policy of shifting the direction of the movement of Koreans in Japan to a right chuche-oriented line, in other words, as a result of the rectification of the old line of this movement, Koreans in Japan were now able to set out on the road of patriotism for the sake of their fatherland and nation for the first time, and the way was now opened to establish chuche in the movement of Koreans in Japan.

The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song created the chuche force of the movement of Koreans in Japan by organizing Chongnyon, an organization of citizens of the republic living in Japan.

In vigorously pushing the movement of overseas Koreans it is important to firmly consolidate its chuche strength. Only by consolidating the chuche strength will it be possible to protect and preserve the policy set forth by the leader for the movement of overseas Koreans and thoroughly implement it under whatever condition.

Elucidating that in order to thoroughly implement the chuche-oriented line of the movement of Koreans in Japan, there should be a reliable executor of this line, the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song set forth the policy of forming a new type of organization of overseas Koreans radically different from the old organizations of overseas Koreans.

The new type of overseas Korean organization as advocated by the great leader is a chuche-type overseas Korean organization which upholds the chuche ideology as its only guide and it supports the leader's leadership with loyalty.

The policy of forming a new type of overseas Korean organization was brilliantly translated into reality with the inauguration of Chongnyon on 25 May 1955.

The inauguration of Chongnyon represents the precious fruition of the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song's indefatigable, energetic leadership and a brilliant victory for the chuche ideology.

The inauguration of Chongnyon marked the new beginning of the movement of overseas Koreans; and with it, the movement of Koreans in Japan came to be securely placed on a chuche line.

Chongnyon's strengthening and development as a powerful organization of overseas Koreans permeated with the chuche ideology was one of the brilliant achievements of the great leader, Marshal Kim Il-song.

Chongnyon is the leading body of the movement of Koreans in Japan. To make Chongnyon a dynamic patriotic organization of overseas Koreans is a precondition for vigorously advancing the movement of Koreans in Japan in accordance with the demands of the chuche ideology.

The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song has strengthened and developed Chongnyon as a powerful organization of overseas Koreans by setting forth and brilliantly implementing the original organizational and developmental policy of establishing chuche within its ranks.

The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song taught:

"In order for Chongnyon to be consolidated as an organization, the party's unitary ideology should be established in every aspect of Chongnyon, and it should continue to move forward with a firm grip on this key link."

Establishing the chuche ideological system is a basic principle governing the building of Chongnyon and its activities. Chongnyon is an organization of overseas Koreans with the chuche ideology as its leading thought, and the movement of Koreans in Japan is a chuche-oriented patriotic movement which triumphs and advances with the chuche revolutionary cause. Only by firmly establishing the chuche ideological system will Chongnyon be able to securely preserve its chuche characteristics and thoroughly implement the chuche ideology in every facet of activity in the movement of Koreans in Japan.

As a result of the thoroughgoing implementation of the policy of firmly establishing the chuche ideological system, only chuche-type blood has come to flow in the veins of all Chongnyon organizations, from the headquarters down to sub-chapters, and the rocklike unity and principled cohesion based on this chuche-orientation has been consolidated as never before.

The task of establishing the chuche ideological system has been deepened and developed onto new heights through the work of converting Chongnyon to the chuche ideology. In this process, all Chongnyon functionaries and our overseas compatriots have more admirably grown as genuine chuche-type overseas Korean citizens and fervent patriots who are infinitely loyal to the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song and the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il and who carry out all patriotic activities according to the wishes and intentions of the leader.

To prepare sturdy ranks of core elements and a mass base is an important requirement in strengthening and developing Chongnyon as a lively, powerful organization of overseas Koreans. Only when the ranks of core elements—who, wherever they may be, always trust and follow no one but the respected and beloved leader, with the great chuche ideology as their creed—become deeply entrenched in the mass of our overseas compatriots, will Chongnyon become a powerful patriotic organization capable of going through whatever vicissitude and whatever trial.

The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song saw to it that the ranks of Chongnyon were consolidated with those compatriots who were armed with the revolutionary views of

the world and of the leader and who were infinitely loyal to the chuche revolutionary cause and that these functionaries were constantly steeled and revolutionalized through untiring indoctrination and practical activities. At the same time, the great leader saw to it that more Korean compatriots in all walks of life were brought together in Chongnyon organizations and strengthened its grass-roots organizations and by improved Chongnyon work with Koreans in Japan, particularly work with the young generation, in keeping with the changing composition of Korean residents in Japan.

Even under the current complex situation in which the enemies are viciously stepping up their reactionary ideological offensive and subversive conspiracies, the movement of Koreans in Japan is accelerating its vigorous forward march under the great banner of the chuche ideology, and this has been made possible because the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song has strengthened and developed Chongnyon as a chuche-type patriotic overseas Korean organization having a solid core force and mass base.

One of the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song's brilliant achievements is his leadership in inspiring Koreans in Japan to make a proud contribution to the chuche revolutionary cause through their noble patriotic activities.

To serve the chuche revolutionary cause is an intrinsic requirement of the movement of Koreans in Japan. The purpose of Chongnyon's existence and all its activities is to make a maximum contribution to the glorious struggle for the victory of the great chuche ideology.

Proceeding from the basic line maintained by the WPK in the struggle to realize the reunification and complete independence of the fatherland, the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song set forth patriotic tasks for Chongnyon—such as tasks to fervently support the socialist fatherland, protect the democratic national rights of Koreans in Japan, actively support the just struggle of South Koreans, and strengthen unity with the Japanese and the revolutionary peoples in the world—thereby brightly illuminating the way for Chongnyon and Koreans in Japan to contribute to the nationwide struggle for the victory of the chuche revolutionary cause.

The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song has clearly indicated accurate methods for Chongnyon and Koreans in Japan to excellently fulfill their patriotic tasks by keeping pace with the grand march of the people in their fatherland.

The great leader has set forth chuche-oriented fighting slogans suitable to the mass characteristics of the movement of Koreans in Japan so that broad circles of Korean compatriots may be organized and mobilized for the realization of the cause of national reunification.

The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song taught as follows:

“Chongnyon should put up the same slogan we set forth immediately after liberation, namely, ‘Let us unite as one to do our part in the cause of national reunification, with able-bodied persons contributing their energy, knowledgeable people contributing their knowledge, well-to-do people contributing their money!’” (“On the Movement of Overseas Koreans,” p 275)

With this fighting slogan put forth by the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song, Chongnyon became able to bring broad circles of overseas compatriots together in the ranks of struggle for national reunification and to best contribute to the national cause of accelerating national reunification by mobilizing their energies and wisdom.

What is important in organizing and mobilizing broad circles of our overseas compatriots is to find a powerful form of mass movement.

The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song applied the experience gained in the extensive chollima work team movement back home to Chongnyon's patriotic work to launch an active mass innovation movement within Chongnyon.

Chongnyon's mass innovation movements launched under the wise leadership of the great leader, such as the “movement to create model sub-chapters,” have become a powerful method, the motive power, which has vigorously inspired Chongnyon functionaries and patriotic Koreans in Japan to the fulfillment of their patriotic tasks, thereby bringing on its coattail a great upswing in the movement of Koreans in Japan.

Chongnyon is not an administrative organization but a mass organization of Koreans in Japan, an organization for their ideological indoctrination. To fulfill its mission as a mass organization, an indoctrinating organization, Chongnyon should make unceasing efforts to perfect a work system and work method suitable to its intrinsic nature.

On the basis of a profound insight into the characteristics of Chongnyon and the peculiarities of the movement of overseas Koreans, the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song set forth the outstanding policy of establishing within Chongnyon a work system with work with people as its basis and of constantly improving the leadership art by implementing the chongsan-spirit and chongsan-ri method.

With the implementation of this outstanding policy, the way of conducting Chongnyon work as a mere administrative work was overcome, work with the masses of overseas compatriots further intensified, and the great-leader-style work method fully implemented. As a result, the masses of overseas compatriots have come to energetically perform all their patriotic work by bringing their patriotic fervor and creativeness into play.

With the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song energetically leading Chongnyon by illuminating the road it should take at each period and each stage of development in the revolution, Koreans in Japan have been able to honorably fulfill their noble patriotic duties for their fatherland and nation, and the movement of Koreans in Japan has become a genuine model for a national patriotic movement capable of creditably contributing to their fatherland, their nation, and the revolution in their country.

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The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song is the benevolent father of our overseas compatriots who tenderly cares for them, holding them in his bosom.

The pains and cares the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song has taken to lead the fate of our overseas compatriots is directly linked to his boundlessly warm love for these compatriots living abroad, away from their native country.

The immense benevolent affection the great leader bestows upon our overseas compatriots is the love of the father who takes care of all our fellow countrymen as one in his bosom, a lasting love which grows ever more tender and benevolent with the passage of time.

The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song, who himself painfully went through the hardships of life overseas and who understands the tribulations and misfortunes of our overseas compatriots more deeply than anyone else, has always thought of our overseas compatriots in his heart and taken care of them with warm affection ever since the days of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle.

National dignity and rights are vital to the overseas citizens of a sovereign, independent country. But for national dignity and rights, overseas compatriots would not be able to live as proud citizens nor to do anything worthwhile for their homeland and its people.

The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song has constantly implemented warm-hearted measures designed to resolutely protect the national dignity and rights of our overseas compatriots.

The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song, by establishing and promulgating the socialist constitution and the nationality law of the DPRK, reliably secured the legal status of our Korean compatriots in Japan as proud citizens abroad of a sovereign state, and by defining it as a consistent policy of the republic to protect them, has enabled our overseas Korean compatriots to live always under the care of their motherland.

Today, our compatriots in Japan, although they live far away from home, are elected to the Supreme People's Assembly and thus participate in the exercise of the sovereignty of the republic, and they also engage in activities in the international arena as proud representatives of the republic.

It is thanks to the lofty authority the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song enjoys and the warm-hearted measures he has taken that our compatriots in Japan have come to enjoy the kind of dignity that no one can dare to defy, exercise to their hearts' content all political rights enjoyed by the folks back home, and demonstrate their resourcefulness and honor as Koreans.

Our overseas compatriots residing abroad for so long always miss their homeland, whether awake or asleep, and this sense of longing grows all the more intense when they encounter a hardship or trial or when they find themselves in a difficult situation.

Mindful of this feeling of our overseas compatriots, the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song has shown great affection and consideration for them.

The fatherly love the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song bestows upon our overseas compatriots is manifest in inculcating in them profound faith and a sense of honor while boundlessly inspiring them.

Sympathetic to the wishes of our overseas compatriots to visit their homeland, the great leader opened the broad way for such a visit and took all kinds of benevolent measures so that they can spend pleasant and meaningful days during their sojourn in the homeland. Moreover, the great leader often receives foreign visitors, but saying that it pleases him most to receive visiting compatriots from abroad, he sets aside his precious time to meet with visiting compatriots from abroad gives them programmatic instructions and warm encouragement, despite his busy schedule in leading the revolution and construction.

It is the respected and beloved leader Marshal Kim Il-song who, sympathetic with our compatriots who had to spend the New Year's season abroad, sent local products having the flavors of the homeland to each Chongnyon sub-chapter as a gift; it is also the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song who overjoyed with the visit to the homeland by a group of Korean artists from Japan, sent the first crop of cucumbers he himself had grown to a place they were visiting on a local tour; it is also the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song who has provided all kinds of medical benefits to visiting compatriots from abroad so that they could cure the diseases they contracted while living abroad.

It is a noble obligation and bound duty of our overseas compatriots as members of our nation to do something that is helpful to their homeland. Our overseas compatriots were in bygone days treated with contempt like

pebbles on the roadside because they were a homeless people, but the great leader recovered the independence of their homeland and country and thus enabled them to lead a proud life. Their indebtedness is so great that it can never be repaid. No wonder our overseas compatriots are trying hard to contribute to the building of their homeland wishing to repay even a fraction of this great favor and indebtedness.

Highly appreciating this enthusiasm of our overseas compatriots as a manifestation of their fervent loyalty and patriotism, the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song has shown great benevolence to them by establishing the "socialist patriotism award" system and bestowing on them state honors for their meritorious services so that their names may be long remembered as their fatherland lives for ever.

The livelihood of our compatriots in Japan is under constant threat due to the violent fluctuation of the capitalist economy and the policy of national discrimination against them.

Always concerned about the living conditions of our overseas compatriots, the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song has taken various benevolent measures for them. Crushing the obstructionist schemes of the enemies, opened a sea-lane for their return to their homeland in what is known as a "great national exodus from capitalism to socialism," enabling those compatriots who stood at the crossroads having to choose between life and death to lead a happy life in the bosom of their socialist fatherland. In addition, the great leader, sympathetic to the hardships of our overseas businessmen, has taken various benevolent measures to enable them to operate their businesses by relying on their homeland where the sound foundation of a self-supporting national economy has been laid.

To educate their sons and daughters and bring them up as true Koreans is the long cherished desire of our overseas compatriots.

The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song, by constantly strengthening and developing Chongnyon's democratic national education program, has made the wishes of our overseas compatriots come true and brought the flower beds of national education in foreign lands into bloom. The great leader had an orderly national education system established in Japan, complete with school education ranging from kindergarten to university, set forth an accurate democratic national education policy in each period, and has continued to send educational assistance funds and scholarships ever since the difficult period of postwar rehabilitation and reconstruction, saying that the government of the republic should see to it that the children of our overseas compatriots are educated even if it had to give up building several factories. As a result, Chongnyon and our compatriots in Japan have been able to preserve their right to democratic national education

and creditably bring up Korean children as a reliable pillar of chuche Korea and future inheritors of the movement of Koreans in Japan.

Thanks to the measures the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song has taken out of compatriotic love, as well as to the fatherly love he has constantly bestowed upon them, our compatriots in Japan have been able to brilliantly chart their own destiny and make an active contribution to the struggle for the wealth, power, and development of their socialist fatherland and the triumph of the chuche revolutionary cause.

Under the great banner of the chuche ideology, our overseas Korean movement has walked down the road resplendent with victory and glory, with a drastic change brought about in the fate of our overseas compatriots.

In every place in Japan where Koreans reside, there is a solid Chongnyon organization, established under the solicitude of the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song and proudly engaged in patriotic activities for the independent and peaceful reunification of the fatherland and for the prosperity of the socialist homeland. Chongnyon functionaries and our compatriots in Japan, cherishing their honor as overseas citizens of chuche Korea deep in their hearts, are glorifying the chuche ideology and making the resourcefulness and dignity of our nation known to the whole world.

There are people of many nationalities living abroad, but none of them live a life more rewarding and promising than that of overseas citizens of chuche Korea, who have a high national pride and self-confidence and enjoy the constant love of their homeland and people.

All brilliant victories and successes achieved in the struggle to solve the question of overseas Korean compatriots are the precious consummation of the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song's chuche-oriented thoughts on the movement of overseas Korean compatriots, his wise leadership, and his warm love.

The chuche-oriented movement of overseas Korean compatriots, initiated and led on the high road of victory by the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song, has entered a new stage of its development under the wise leadership of the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il and is vigorously accelerating the grand march toward the conversion of Chongnyon to the chuche ideology.

Brilliant victory awaits the movement of overseas Koreans on the road it is following under the banner of the chuche ideology, upholding the leadership of the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song and the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il—the road along which the fate of overseas Koreans is really charted. This is the priceless truth which has been proved by history and which our overseas compatriots have come to realize as their creed through their experience in life.

Our Chongnyon functionaries and Korean compatriots in Japan, cherishing this revolutionary creed deep in their hearts, shall further glorify the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song's immortal revolutionary achievement by thoroughly implementing the chuche-based thoughts and theories on the movement of overseas Koreans in the movement of Koreans in Japan.

Only victory and glory will await the future of the movement of overseas Koreans which is proceeding under the banner of the chuche ideology, reverentially looking up to the respected and beloved leader Marshal Kim Il-song and the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il.

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The Massive Record of the Great Leader Comrade Kim Il-song's Immortal Exploits in the Cause of the World Revolution

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[Text] Ever since he embarked upon the road of revolution in his youth, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has constantly dedicated his all to the victory of the Korean revolution and the victory of the cause of the international working class and the oppressed peoples of the world, with warm love for the country and people and with infinite loyalty to the revolutionary cause of the working class. The history of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's revolutionary struggle, extending over 60 years, is resplendent with his great achievements made in the course of leading the Korean revolution to victory and making a great contribution to world revolution and the international communist movement by creating the chuche ideology and implementing it through his profound ideological activities and dynamic revolutionary practice. Because of his immortal exploits rendered for all time and humanity, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has high authority among the revolutionary people of the world and enjoys their absolute support and trust.

Today, while joining the Korean people in marking with significance the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's birthday as a felicitous holiday, the revolutionary people of the world are extending the highest glory to him while highly applauding the prodigious immortal exploits made by our respected and beloved leader for the world revolution as well as the Korean revolution.

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The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is a great ideological theorist who has made an outstanding contribution to the world revolution by creating a new revolutionary ideology, namely, the chuche ideology.

The leader of the working class is the intellectual center who illuminates the road ahead for the people, by creating the guiding ideology for the revolution. His greatness consists, above all, in the greatness as an ideological theoretician, and basic to his revolutionary achievements are his ideological-theoretical achievements.

When he was still in his teens, the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song charted the road of by creatively applying Marxism-Leninism to the realities in our country, and in this process, created the great chuche ideology. In the course of leading many stages of the revolutionary struggle and construction, he has comprehensively systematized the ideology while continually developing and enriching it.

Comrade Kim Chong-il, member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee and secretary of the party Central Committee, pointed out as follows:

"The chuche ideology represents the precious fruit of the leader's profound and many-sided ideological-theoretical activities, and its creation occupies the most brilliant niche in his revolutionary achievements." ("On the Chuche Ideology," monograph, p 1)

The chuche ideology is the genuine revolutionary theory of the working class of our time.

Ours is a new era in which the working masses, who were in bygone days subjected to oppression and maltreatment, have emerged as masters of the world and are charting history and their own destiny independently and creatively. With the advent of our era, the question of creating a revolutionary ideology which would correctly clarify the place and role of the masses in historical development arose as the most fundamental problem in accurately understanding the development of the movement for progress, and the revolutionary struggle in our time.

With a profound insight into the basic characteristic of our time in which the working masses have emerged as the masters of history and their own destiny, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song discovered the philosophical principle that man is the master of all things and decides everything, and on the basis of this discovery, created the chuche ideology clarifying the thought, theory, and method of the revolution of our time.

The chuche ideology provides the man-centered revolutionary world outlook, the revolutionary theory with the masses at the center, the strategies and tactics based on the role of the working masses, and the leadership method enabling the masses to maintain their position as masters and play their role as masters. The man-centered world outlook and the revolutionary theory and method centered around the working masses as elucidated by the chuche ideology are the guiding ideology and leadership

theory and method which are in consonance with the demands of our time; and as such, they serve as a compass guiding the acceleration of historical development through the enhancement of the place and role of the masses.

With the *chuche* ideology created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, the revolutionary thoughts of the working class have been developed and enriched in conformity with the demands of our time, and the way has been clarified for building a new independence-oriented world by enhancing the independent consciousness and creative abilities of the masses.

The *chuche* ideology is a great thought which has made it possible to chart the way to wage a revolution in an independent manner to suit the new developmental state of the international communist movement, and its inevitable demands.

Entering our era, the revolutionary movement began to be waged more extensively in various forms as a unit, in each nation state, and the national forces of world revolution grew remarkably. The new stage of development in the international communist movement demanded that the working-class party and people in each country assume the responsibility for the revolution in their country and carry it on independently and creatively.

The masters of the revolution in each country are its working-class party and people. The working-class party and people in each country can achieve successes in the revolution and construction only when they solve all problems arising in revolution and construction by their own efforts, in conformity with the interests of their people and the actual conditions in their country. The world revolution will ultimately be brought to consummation through the process of successful prosecution of the revolution in each country. To properly wage the revolution in one's own country is the basic duty of each working-class party, and the process of successfully waging the revolution in each country will enrich experience in the international revolutionary movement and contribute to the development of the world revolution. There can be no world revolution apart from the revolution in each country, and no nation can be faithful to its international obligations without fulfilling its national duties to its own revolution. To properly wage the revolution in one's own country is the international as well as national duties of the working-class party in that country.

The *chuche* ideology places the revolution in one's own country at the center of thinking and revolutionary practice in conformity with the demands of the international communist movement at its new stage of development. By doing so, the *chuche* ideology has paved the new way for the working-class party and people in each country to carry out the revolution in their country in an independent and creative manner and properly combine

national and international ingredients in the revolutionary movement of the working class, so that they can successfully wage the world revolution while properly carrying out their national revolution.

The creation of the *chuche* ideology represents an outstanding exploit which has brought about a great turnaround in the ideomental life of man and the process of revolutionary change and constitutes an immortal contribution to the cause of the world revolution.

Thanks to its truth, justice, and invincibility, the *chuche* ideology is arousing sympathy from the people of the world and vigorously thrusting the revolutionary movement of our era aimed at creating an independent world.

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The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the genius of revolution and construction who has made a great contribution to the world revolution by brilliantly leading the Korean revolution on the high road of victory.

It is the basic duty of the communists in a particular country to properly execute the revolution in their own country. Only by properly carrying out the revolution in their own country will the communists be able to free the people of their country from all kinds of enslavement and fetters, and secure an independent and creative life for them while contributing to world revolution. The greatness of the leader of the working class manifests itself in the way he leads the revolution in his country, and his exploits in the execution of the revolution in his country occupy an important place in his overall achievements.

The masters of the Korean revolution are our people themselves, and our own capability is the decisive factor in achieving the victory of the Korean revolution. Formulating all lines and policies in keeping with the demands of the Korean revolution and actual conditions in our country and implementing these lines and policies to the end, without the slightest wavering, by setting the energies of the people in motion has been the firm position and revolutionary principle that the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has consistently maintained in the revolution and construction. The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song has always stoutly maintained the *chuche*-oriented position and implemented the revolutionary mass line in leading revolution and construction—herein lie the decisive factor for and the important key to the great success of the Korean revolution, which to the amazement of the whole world, has won a great victory by vigorously moving forward on a straight road, without the slightest deviation and deflection, under a very arduous and complex situation.

Comrade Kim Chong-il, member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee and secretary of the party Central Committee, pointed out as follows:

"The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is a great revolutionary strategist, an ever-victorious iron-willed general, and a genius of creation and construction, who has accumulated the valuable achievements which will shine forever in the history of the revolutionary struggle of the working class and in the history of man's struggle for liberation by creating a model of revolution and construction for the whole world."

The great victory won by the Korean revolution under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the world-level model of revolution and construction created by him constitute not only his immortal achievement which will shine forever in our history but also an outstanding contribution to consummating the world revolution.

By ingeniously solving all problems arising in revolution and construction, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song accomplished two successive stages of socialist revolution and the historic cause of industrialization in a short period of time, and has established the most superior socialist system and erected a powerful independent, self-supporting, and self-defensive state in our country.

Ours is the most superior socialist system which ensures genuine political freedom, democratic rights, and a happy material and cultural life for all our people. Today in our country, a radical change is taking place in the ideomental features of the workers; all the people are solidly rallied around the party and the leader in perfect unity of purpose and will; the self-supporting socialist national economy is constantly developing; the self-reliant national defense capability is being consolidated; and socialist national culture is brilliantly blooming and developing.

The conversion of our country from a former colonial semi-feudalistic society to a prosperous, developing independent, self-supporting, self-defensive state in an unprecedentedly short period of time represents not only a great achievement of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song but also his outstanding contribution to the demonstration of the superiority of the socialist system on a global scale and to the acceleration of its victory.

For two different stages of revolution—a revolution which has already triumphed and a revolution which is yet to triumph—to support and complement each other is an important principle for the development of the world revolutionary movement. The revolution which has already triumphed should not only actively support

and encourage the people who are engaged in a revolutionary struggle which is yet to triumph, but also should inspire them with the practical models it has created and the experiences it has gained in revolution and construction.

In the triumphant forward march of our revolution along the road illuminated by the course of chuche ideology, under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, many valuable world-level models and experiences have been produced. The Korean revolution has explored the right path for national liberation from colonialism, opened the short cut for former colonies and semi-colonies to advance into socialism, and paved the straight way for building communism, the ideal of humankind. The world-level models and experiences provided by our revolution are becoming a priceless asset for the revolution and construction, a powerful motive force, which inspires the people of the world engaged in revolution with courage and gives them encouragement in their struggle.

The location of the Korean Peninsula is of great geographical importance, with a fierce struggle under way there between the forces of socialism and imperialism, and between the forces of peace and war. Under the circumstances in which the U.S. imperialists are scheming to invade the northern half of the republic and other socialist countries in Asia and further to conquer the whole of Asia by using South Korea as a spring board, how to consolidate our revolutionary base is not only a vital problem involving the fate of the Korean revolution but also an important question concerning the future of the cause of peace and socialism.

In the early period of construction of our new society, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song defined the strengthening of the revolutionary base in the northern half of the republic as an essential requirement for the victory of our revolution and as a noble international obligation to the world revolution, and has consolidated our revolutionary base in a rocklike manner, politically, economically, and militarily, thereby converting our country to a formidable bastion of peace and socialism. Today our people are stoutly guarding the eastern outpost of peace and socialism while thwarting the U.S. imperialists' machinations of aggression and war at each step—this constitutes a major contribution to safeguarding peace for Asia and the world, and also constitutes a powerful internationalist support to the peace-loving countries and peoples of the world, including fraternal socialist countries.

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The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is an outstanding leader of the world revolution and the international communist movement who has made a great contribution to the common international cause of the world's revolutionary peoples.

The world revolution is a sacred struggle to liquidate colonialism, realize national liberation and class liberation, and build communism on a global scale. This struggle is the common international cause of the working-class parties, and to fight for the victory of this cause is an international obligation of the working-class party in each country. It follows that the working-class party, while properly waging the revolution in its own country, should actively contribute to the common international cause for the victory of the world revolution. Contribution to the world revolution constitutes an important part of the revolutionary achievements made by the leader of the working class.

Defining it as a noble international obligation for Korean Communists to struggle for the victory of the world revolution, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has given his all to the cause of liberating man, and to the attainment of the worldwide victory of the cause of socialism and communism.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"Holding aloft the banner of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism and the revolutionary banner against imperialism and independence, the WPK and the Korean people will continue to wage a dogged struggle against imperialism and colonialism and for the victory of the cause of peace, democracy, national independences, and socialism and communism by banding together with the world's people determined to protect independence." ("Collected Works of Kim Il-song," vol 30, p 559)

Independence, friendship and peace are the basic doctrine set forth by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song for our party's foreign relation activities. Elucidated by this doctrine are the overall goals of our party's foreign relations activities, and the methods for achieving these goals designed to build an independent, friendly, peaceful world by solidly uniting with the world's revolutionary people under the banner of anti-imperialism and independence. The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song not only has led our party to thoroughly implement the doctrine of independence, friendship and peace but he himself has energetically carried out many-sided foreign relation activities despite his busy schedule in leading the extensive and complex Korean revolution.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song has accumulated a massive record of immortal achievements for the world revolution and the international communist movement through his outstanding ideological-theoretical activities and energetic practical activities, with a high sense of responsibility for and infinite loyalty to the common international cause of the working class, with an adamant revolutionary will, and with a rare revolutionary strategic capability.

Of primary importance among the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's many great achievements is his advocacy of the idea of making the whole world independent and the resultant opening of the way for accelerating the ultimate victory of the world revolution.

The world revolution is a very difficult and complex undertaking to completely realize the independence of the masses on a global scale and a protracted and arduous struggle which requires the successive execution of numerous tasks, generation after generation. To correctly detail strategic tasks that need to be undertaken at the present stage of the world revolution, along with the methods to tackle them, is a precondition for hastening the ultimate victory of the world revolution.

The idea about making the whole world independent as set forth by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song provides the most correct answer to this important fundamental question.

A sovereign world is one in which colonialism has been completely liquidated, and in which the sovereign rights of all countries and peoples have been completely secured. The attainment of sovereignty for all nations of the world will be possible only when all countries and peoples in the world have been freed from all forms of foreign rule and subjugation, have achieved national independence, and have firmly secured their national sovereignty.

Making the whole world independent is precisely a strategic task that should be tackled at the present stage of the world revolution. The struggle of the masses to attain their independence proceeds in each nation state as a unit, and the destiny of the masses also is charted on a national scale. Only when the sovereign rights of the country and people are secured, will the masses be able to successfully chart their own destiny to suit their aspirations and demands. The sovereign rights of the country and people are an essential requirement for realizing the independence of the masses; accordingly, to attain the complete independence of the masses on a global scale, the sovereign rights of the country and people, above all else, should be attained.

Ours is an era of independence in which all countries in the world are demanding sovereignty and independence. The people of the world demand independence, and numerous countries are moving down the road of independence—this is a basic trend of our time that no force on earth can arrest. To win the final victory of the world revolution, the whole world should be made independent by more vigorously pushing this trend of our time toward independence. When the whole world is made independent, all countries and nations will each build an independent society and pave the broad way for the masses to attain their complete independence.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's idea about making the whole world independent is a great idea which mirrors the inevitability of development of the world revolution in our time and the unanimous aspirations of the people of all countries, and it is also the guiding principle which makes it possible to accelerate the ultimate victory of the world revolution at an unusually fast pace. With the idea of making the whole world independent elucidated by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, a distinctive picture of the future world has emerged; and the struggle of peoples for independence and the historical movement of our time for an onward march have come to be intensified all the more vigorously.

Another great major achievement of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's great achievements is his prodigious contribution to the strengthening of the world's revolutionary forces by setting forth for the first time the principles governing the organization of the world's revolutionary forces and carrying out energetic activities to implement them. Entering our era, the world revolutionary movement became at once extensive and intensive, with the size of revolutionary forces participating in it expanding unprecedentedly. Not only the world's working class and the communist movement and national liberation movements but also the people of numerous countries, including the people of newly emerging states, are joining the world revolutionary movement. All these forces, despite their different social systems, political views and religions, share the same goals and interests when it comes to opposing domination and enslavement and aspiring for independence. Today when a radical change has taken place in the composition of the world's revolutionary forces, properly organizing the revolutionary forces and steadily strengthening them on a global scale is a key issue on which depends the success of the world revolution.

The strategic slogan "Let us unite with the world's people committed to independence!" serves as an accurate principle governing the organization of the international revolutionary forces in our time. With the presentation of this slogan, the way has been opened for decisively hastening the victory of the world revolution by maximizing the expansion of the revolutionary forces and maintaining a definite edge over the counterrevolutionary forces.

The forces of socialism and the international communist movement are the most powerful revolutionary forces working against all the reactionary forces in our time, and they constitute a decisive factor in blocking and frustrating the imperialist policy of aggression and war and in thrusting the revolutionary struggle of the world's people. The invincible might of the forces of socialism and the international communist movement stems from their unity and cohesion. Only by maintaining firm unity and solidarity will socialist countries and the international communist movement be able to serve as a

powerful thrust for the development of human history and creditably accomplish their common undertakings, including the struggle against imperialism.

It is our party's firm, consistent principled position to constantly cement and develop friendly and cooperative ties with socialist countries and strengthen unity with communist and workers parties.

Even when socialist countries and the international communist movement were going through a trial due to differences of opinion, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song made every sincere effort to prevent division and preserve unity and solidarity. Socialist countries and communist and workers parties have more things in common than they have differences, and their common ground is of primary importance while their differences are secondary. Because of their basic interests in the revolution, socialist countries and communist and workers parties should give the first priority to unity and subordinate all else to it, at the same time striving to find a common ground for unity, leaving their differences aside. The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song set forth the precept that all socialist countries should oppose imperialism, support the national liberation movements in colonies, continue to advance toward socialism and communism, and achieve unity and solidarity on the principles of noninterference in each other's internal affairs, mutual respect, equality and mutual benefit; and since then he has made persistent and persevering efforts to translate this precept into action. This principled position and these sincere efforts on the part of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song have received immense sympathy and support from fraternal parties and countries because of the fairness and justice of the position.

Under a definite policy, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has recently stepped up activities to further strengthen friendship and solidarity with socialist countries, to expand and develop exchanges with them in the political, economic and cultural fields. The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's visit to the Soviet Union, China, and European socialist countries marked a historic event which has developed our friendly and cooperative ties with socialist countries onto a still higher level. Today our friendly and cooperative ties with socialist countries are developing favorably, and this development is making a positive contribution to strengthening unity and solidarity among socialist countries.

The Nonaligned Movement is a progressive movement designed to achieve independence in opposition to all kinds of domination and enslavement and constitutes a powerful revolutionary force of our time.

With a profound insight into the nature of the Non-aligned Movement and its great impact on the world revolution, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has long engaged in energetic activities to expand and develop the Nonaligned Movement.

The Nonaligned Movement is an independent political force not affiliated with any bloc, and its basic principle is to maintain autonomy. Only when all nonaligned countries maintain their independence, will the Non-aligned Movement be able to preserve its inherent traits and realize the noble ideal of anti-imperialism and independence. Unity and solidarity is the source of the invincible might of the Nonaligned Movement and a firm guarantee for its victory. Only by maintaining unity and solidarity will the Nonaligned Movement be able to strengthen itself into an invincible anti-imperialist force of independence.

The revolutionary doctrine set forth by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, namely, that all nonaligned countries should adhere to the principle of independence as well as the principle of equality and noninterference in each other's internal affairs, and that they should strengthen their unity and solidarity and wage a struggle to reorganize the present unfair and unequal international economic system—all these principles have had great significance in strengthening and developing the Nonaligned Movement onto a still higher level.

Each time the Nonaligned Movement encountered grave trials due to the imperialist machinations to divide, alienate, and disintegrate it, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song urged all nonaligned countries to move on, holding the banner of the Nonaligned Movement still higher. He sent large delegations to summit and foreign ministerial meetings of nonaligned countries, with specific instructions to actively strive to forestall the danger of division and preserve unity.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's principled stand and energetic activities to strengthen the world revolutionary forces, such as the forces of socialism, the international communist movement, and the Nonaligned Movement, have made a great contribution to strengthening the unity and solidarity of the international revolutionary forces and augmenting their might and influence.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's other great major exploit is that he set forth an anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. strategy and has made an immense contribution to the worldwide cause of anti-imperialism by waging an active struggle to implement this strategy.

In order to hasten the victory of the world revolution, the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. struggle should be vigorously stepped up under the right fighting strategy while strengthening the international revolutionary forces in every possible way.

The U.S. imperialists, who emerged as the chieftains of the world imperialist reactionary forces following the end of World War II, have stretched out their evil hands of aggression everywhere in an attempt to dominate the world while viciously challenging the struggle of various peoples for self-reliance, independence, and socialism

and thus have become the leading forces of aggression and war, international gendarmes, the citadel of neocolonialism, and the most heinous enemy of the world's people. Apart from the struggle to oppose U.S. imperialism, there can be no question of winning and consolidating national independence, nor any question of hastening the victory of the cause of socialism and communism, nor any question of preventing war and ensuring the peace and security of the world. In order to bring imperialism to ultimate ruin and achieve victory for world peace, the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. struggle should be vigorously stepped up, with the main fire power concentrated on U.S. imperialism. No matter how powerful the U.S. imperialists may be, it is possible to defeat them only if the world's people take an international anti-imperialist joint action and form a united anti-U.S. front, and wage a vigorous struggle against U.S. imperialism everywhere. The basic strategy of the world revolution calls for the main spearhead to be directed at U.S. imperialism. The policies aimed at implementing this strategy are the outstanding line of anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. struggle that has been set forth by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song on the basis of a profound analysis of the place the U.S. imperialists occupy in the world imperialist system and their reactionary nature, as well as on his rich experience in the anti-imperialist struggle. With the presentation of this line of anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. struggle, the people of the world have come to vigorously step up the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. struggle, firmly united with faith in victory, and the way has been paved for dispersing and weakening the power of the U.S. imperialists to the maximum, and hastening their ruin.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has led our people's struggle against the two imperialists, namely, the U.S. and Japanese imperialists, to brilliant victory, and this constitutes his signal contribution to the world cause of anti-imperialism.

The anti-Japanese armed struggle against Japanese imperialism and the fatherland liberation war against U.S. imperialism were unprecedented arduous and fierce wars. We were able to defeat the Japanese and U.S. imperialists who were matchlessly superior in terms of military potential and military technologies, thanks to the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who sagaciously organized and led our people and our armed forces. Our glorious victory in the anti-Japanese armed struggle marked the first great victory ever won in history by the people of a colony in smashing the imperialists by force of arms and thus achieving national independence. Our great victory in the fatherland liberation war opened the way for the downhill slide of the U.S. imperialists by crushing, for the first time in history, the myth about the "invincibility" of the U.S. imperialists who had boasted of being the world's "strongest," and it has provided an inspiration and thrust for the anti-imperialist national liberation struggle by hundreds of millions of people in the world. Our people's historic victories in the anti-Japanese armed struggle and the fatherland liberation

war opened up the new era of a worldwide upswing in the national liberation struggle against colonialism and in the anti-imperialist, anti-American struggle.

Continuing to hold aloft the banner of the anti-imperialist, anti-American struggle following their victory in the fatherland liberation war, our people have waged a staunch, uncompromising struggle against imperialism from a firm principled stand and resolutely smashed the U.S. imperialists' recurring machinations of aggression and war, thereby greatly encouraging the people of the world in their anti-imperialist, anti-American struggle.

The anti-imperialist national liberation struggle of the people of Asia, Africa, and Latin America is a holy liberation struggle of the hundreds of millions of people who have been subjected to oppression and maltreatment, and at the same time, it is a great struggle to cut the vital arteries of the world imperialism.

Defining it as a noble internationalist duty to support and encourage the anti-imperialist national liberation struggle of the people of Asia, Africa, and Latin America, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has sincerely assisted the peoples who were fighting for national liberation and those other peoples who embarked upon building a new society, and that despite the difficult circumstances in which our country remains divided and stands face to face with the imperialists.

Indeed the whole life of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song has been a splendid life which he has dedicated, rock, stock and barrel, to our people's and the world's people's cause of liberation and to victory in the cause of socialism and communism in our country and in the whole world. It also has been a glorious life marked by his valuable contribution made to the development of mankind's progressive thoughts by creating the genuine revolutionary ideology and theory of the working class of our time through his outstanding ideological and theoretical activities, and also marked by his impressive record of immortal contribution to the Korean revolution and the world revolution through his untiring energetic activities.

Because of his great contribution to the world revolution, the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song enjoys the high respect and trust of the revolutionary people of the world, who call him "a great leader of the world revolution," "an eminent and outstanding activist for the international communist and workers movements," and "the outstanding leader who has made a lasting monumental contribution to the cause of mankind's liberation."

It is the greatest honor, an immense pride, and the greatest happiness for our party members and workers to live and engage in revolution, with the respected and

beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song—who has accumulated immortal achievements for the Korean revolution and the world revolution, and for our time and mankind—as their great leader.

Cherishing this immense pride and honor deep in their hearts, all our party members and workers should fight on more doggedly for the ultimate victory of the chuche revolutionary cause, reverently looking up to the great leader and following the leadership of the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il.

Only victory and glory will await in the future of our people, who, tightly rallied around the party Central Committee headed by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, are fighting on under the banner of Marxism-Leninism and the chuche ideology to reunify the country and to win the nationwide victory of the revolution and the victory of socialism and communism in our country and in the world.

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**The Revolutionary and Popular Leadership Art
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[Text] As they mark the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's birthday as the happiest event for our nation, all party members and workers are proudly looking back upon the triumphant and glorious path traversed by our revolution over the past 60 years or more under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and are respectfully wishing the fatherly leader good health and long life as an expression of the ardent and unanimous desire of all our fellow countrymen.

For these long years since he set out on the road of revolution, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has charted the passage for our revolution and led it to victory with his eminent revolutionary thoughts and tested leadership, thereby accumulating immortal valuable revolutionary achievements for the country and people, and for our time and revolution.

Under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, our people have eliminated their centuries-old backwardness and poverty and become a proud people capable of charting their own destiny by themselves; and our country, whose entity had once disappeared from the world map, has become a dignified sovereign, independent state exhibiting the dignity of chuche Korea before the whole world.

The current high prestige enjoyed by our country and the present happiness savored by our people all represent the shining fruit of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's wise leadership.

Indeed the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is not only the most outstanding ideological theoretician whom our people have ever had and ever looked up to as their leader, but also the possessor of a great leadership art who has created the most revolutionary and popular leadership art and has been leading our evolution on the straight road to victory.

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Creation of the right leadership art is a very important question that arises in the revolutionary struggle of the working class.

Whether revolution and construction triumphantly will proceed or not depends on how the creativeness of the masses, the masters of the revolution and construction, is organized and mobilized. It follows that the question of leadership art, namely, how to enhance the position and role of the masses and lead them to carry out the revolution and construction independently and creatively on their own initiative, arises as an important question bearing on the fate of the revolution.

Revolution and construction, in particular, are a grand and difficult creative undertaking to radically remake nature, society, and man, and at the same time, they are an arduous and serious struggle, including a fierce class struggle against counterrevolutionary forces. Therefore, the revolutionary struggle and construction can triumphantly advance only when they are provided with the right leadership art capable of skillfully organizing and mobilizing the masses in the revolutionary struggle, as well as with a great guiding ideology and theory correctly reflecting the demands of the time and the revolution.

If a great revolutionary ideology is the torch that illuminates the road ahead for revolution and construction, an outstanding leadership art is a mode of operation and leadership skill required to lead and get organizations and the masses going. Even after its direction is clearly indicated by the right guiding ideology and theory, the revolution will be able to vigorously advance on a straight road to victory, only if it is provided with a correct and steered leadership art.

The greater the scope, intensity, and depth of revolutionary reforms, the more urgent the question of leadership art in leading the masses will become. The cause of socialism and communism—which is a complex and serious struggle involving a abroad circle of people working to bring about radical changes in every aspect of nature and society—can triumphantly advance only with the art of correct revolutionary and popular leadership.

The correct art of leadership—the question of creating it is extremely important in pushing the revolution and construction—is not something that comes naturally simply because the times and the revolution require it, nor something that can be created by just anyone. It can be created only by the outstanding leader of the working class who, with brilliant wisdom, has created a revolutionary ideology which blazes ahead on the road to revolution, and has led the revolutionary struggle to victory, in other words, only by a leader having such rich experiences and lofty virtues.

With the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, a genius of revolution and a great ideological theoretician, leading, at the helm, the Korean revolution, it became possible to create the revolutionary leadership art.

On the basis of the most accurate analysis of the demands of the times and the masses, and with rare wisdom and scientific insights, the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song created the immortal *chuche* ideology and accumulated rich priceless experiences in the course of organizing and leading our revolution through such untold difficulties and severe trials to victory. He is a great ideological theoretician, a great man of action, a great man, who embodies the communist virtues which are permeated with infinite love for man at the highest level.

These great traits of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song are the basic factors responsible for the creation of the most correct leadership art.

Our party's leadership art is the most revolutionary and popular one created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song in the course of pioneering and leading our revolution to victory by embodying the aspirations and demands of our time and the masses.

Our party's leadership art created by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the *chuche*-oriented leadership art which is based on the immortal *chuche* ideology and which embodies the revolutionary mass line.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"Our party's leadership art is a *chuche*-oriented one based on the *chuche* ideology and embodying the revolutionary mass line." ("Historical Experience in Building the WPK," monograph, p 93)

The character of a leadership art is determined by the ideological foundation on which it is based, evolved, and systematized, as well as by the line it principally embodies.

Our party's leadership art created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is based on the immortal *chuche* ideology.

To say that our party's leadership art is based on the chuche ideology is to say that it is a leadership art evolved and formulated with the chuche ideology as the basis of its world view, and a leadership art centering around the working masses and aimed at executing the revolution and construction by enhancing the position and role of the masses.

On the basis of philosophical doctrine that man is the master of all things and determines all things, the chuche ideology elucidates the basic principle of revolution that the masters of revolution and construction are the masses and the driving force of revolution and construction rests also with the masses. Revolution occurs according to the independent demands of the masses and is executed by their creative energies. Revolution is an undertaking for the good of the masses and this undertaking is one of the masses' own. Therefore, revolution can triumphantly advance only when the masses voluntarily launch into it and vigorously wage their creative struggle.

The chuche ideology makes clear that in order that the revolutionary struggle and construction may be triumphantly pushed forward, the independent spirit and creativeness of the masses, the direct participants, should be brought into full play.

Only by giving full play to their independent spirit and creativeness in revolution and construction with the keen awareness of being the masters of the revolution, will the masses be able to play their role as the master of their own destiny, and become the real leading force for the acceleration of the process of historical development. Accordingly, for a leadership art to become revolutionary and people-oriented, it should be able to make the masses play their full role as masters, conscious of their position as such.

Our party's leadership art created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is a revolutionary and popular leadership art whose system and substance have been comprehensively formulated on the basis of the basic principles of the chuche ideology.

The leadership art created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is a revolutionary and popular leadership art embodying the mass line, the basic principle governing the activities of our party.

The revolutionary and popular character of a leadership art is also determined by the basic principle of party activities that the leadership art embodies.

Inasmuch as the art of leadership is the party's method of setting the masses in motion and mobilizing them, naturally it can become the most revolutionary and popular art of leadership enabling the party to successfully hold to revolutionary leadership of broad circles of people when it embodies the principle of the mass line.

On the basis of the principle elucidated by the great chuche ideology that the masses are the masters of revolution and construction, and that the motive force of revolution and construction also resides in the masses, our party's mass line demands that the needs and interests of the masses be met and protected, and all problems arising in the revolution and construction be solved always by the method of giving full play to the high political fervor and creative positiveness of the masses. The masses have an inexhaustible creative capacity to solve all problems arising in the revolution and construction. There is nothing that cannot be accomplished when the energies of the masses are mobilized. Therefore, the art of leadership should be created and applied in the revolution and construction in accordance with the principle of having the masses, masters of revolution and construction, maintain their position as masters and enhance their role as masters. From this flows the behest that the leadership art of the working-class party implement the mass line, namely, the principle of solving all problems arising in the revolution and construction by enhancing the role of the masses.

The revolutionary mass line is fully embodied in the system and method, and mode of operation of our party's art of leadership created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

In this way, our party's leadership art created by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is evolved with the chuche ideology as the base of its world outlook and embodies the revolutionary mass line. For this reason, it is the most revolutionary and popular leadership art.

The entire substance of our party's art of leadership created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song consists of revolutionary and popular ingredients and nothing else.

The revolutionary and popular character of the art of leadership finds its concentrated expression in its substance. To skillfully organize and mobilize the broad masses in the difficult and complex revolutionary struggle, a tidy system and order should be established capable of setting them in motion in a uniform manner, and at the same time, solutions should be found to problems concerning the methods and skills of setting the masses in motion, and concerning the work style of the functionaries and their character. Only when these requirements are met, will it be possible to correctly apply the methods and skills of mass leadership according to a fixed system and order and properly practice these methods and skills by virtue of the traits and character of the functionaries.

One of the important elements of our party's leadership art is the revolutionary party work system. The party work system is the system and order for organizing and

carrying out party activities. All activities of the working-class party to carry out the revolution and construction by leading the masses proceed under a fixed work system. Only when a revolutionary system and order is thoroughly established within the party, will the party be able to become the monolithic combat rank which will move as one under uniform norms of conduction and discipline and vigorously advance the revolution and construction by successfully leading the broad masses in the revolution. Inasmuch as the masses are led under the party work system, unless a neat revolutionary system and order is established in the party, confusion and disorder would inevitably ensue, and accordingly, it would be impossible to correctly apply the method and skill capable of properly organizing and mobilizing the masses in the revolution and construction. This indicates that the party work system constitutes an important ingredient of the art of revolutionary leadership.

An important feature of our party's work system is that the party has a system and order by which the whole party moves as one under the unitary leadership of the party Central Committee, with party committees at all levels unitarily leading all tasks of the units under their respective jurisdiction as their supreme guidance organizations, and with the Central Committee and other party organizations at all levels systematically grasping and leading their subordinate organizations.

Our party's work system represents the most revolutionary system and order capable of skillfully organizing and mobilizing the masses in the execution of revolutionary tasks by making all party organizations move as one under the unitary command of the party Central Committee by thoroughly establishing the unitary leadership of the party and the leader.

Another important ingredient in our party's leadership art is the revolutionary and people-oriented party work system. The question of the party's work system is one concerning the method of activity applied in skillfully organizing and mobilizing the masses in revolution and construction. Leadership in the revolution and construction held by the party is in essence leadership of the masses as practiced by the party, and it can be properly insured only by the right work method. Accordingly, the work method constitutes an important ingredient in the art of leadership for organizing and mobilizing the masses in the revolutionary struggle. Inasmuch as the work method is an important part of the leadership art, the revolutionary character of a given work method is an important factor characterizing the revolutionary nature of the leadership art.

Our party's work method requires that political work be placed definitely ahead of all other work, that people at the upper echelon help people at the lower level, that leading functionaries always go among the masses and carry out revolutionary tasks by relying on them. It is also a powerful work method by which the party properly mixes general guidance with individual guidance; finds

the key links in every work and concentrates on them; adapts party work to objective realities and concrete conditions by creatively organizing and executing party work in various forms and methods suitable to the peculiarities of tasks on hand; and carries out mass movements to achieve the objectives of the struggle.

The revolutionary work method, which constitutes an important part of the chuche-oriented leadership art, is a revolutionary and popular work method capable of turning the masses into the real masters and motive power of the revolution by awakening them and banding them together. It is also capable of most precisely meeting all demands arising in the revolution and construction by giving full play to the creativeness of the masses.

The people-oriented work method is another important ingredient of the chuche-oriented leadership art.

The party work style is the party's work habit in serving the masses and represents the political and moral trait of party functionaries and party members. The work style is an expression of the functionaries' stand, attitude, and political and moral character which manifest themselves in work with the masses. Only by using a popular work style will the working-class party be able to correctly implement the demands of the revolution work method and vigorously accelerate the revolution and construction.

Our party's work style is the most people-oriented one thoroughly permeated with the spirit of devoted service to the masses.

The substance of our party's work style is the habit of continuously advancing and innovating while living and working with the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance and fortitude, brimming with ambition and enthusiasm, and of performing all work in a principled, fair, and above-board manner. It is also a people-oriented style and character which enfold people in the bosom of the party as if it were their real mother, and it is also the style of party functionaries and party members devoting themselves to the party and the revolution and leading by example. It is also the style of all functionaries and party members living an upright and clean-handed life with the character of being infinitely humble and artless.

Party spirit, revolutionary spirit, and working-class spirit run through the entire substance of our party's work style. By virtue of this feature, our party's work style is a really people-oriented work style which is at its highest level in terms of devotion to the good of the masses.

As you see, our party's art of leadership created by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the chuche-oriented leadership art based on the great chuche ideology and embodying the mass line, and is the

most revolutionary and popular revolutionary art which has as its substance the revolutionary work system and the revolutionary and people-oriented work method and style.

The chuche-oriented leadership art, by virtue of the greatness of the ideology on which it is based, the justness of the line it embodies, and the revolutionary, popular, scientific character and the profoundness of its substance, becomes a priceless treasure in the development of the revolution and the practice of revolutionary leadership.

With the creation of the most revolutionary and popular leadership art by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song while leading the revolutionary struggle and construction, the theory of working-class revolution has been developed and enriched with new treasures, opening a new frontier for leadership art. As a result, all fundamental problems encountered by the working party in leading the masses have been correctly elucidated and solutions to these problems have been comprehensively systematized.

With the creation of the chuche-oriented leadership art, the revolutionary working-class party and the communists have come into possession of a powerful methodological weapon for vigorously accelerating the revolutionary cause of realizing the independence of the working masses.

Indeed the creation of the chuche-oriented leadership art marked a great event in which a powerful weapon was put in place which is capable of bringing guidance to the masses, firmly turning the revolution into an undertaking of the masses' own, and leading the revolution to continual upswing by giving full play to the inexhaustible energies and creative wisdom of the masses.

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The glorious course traveled by our party under the sagacious leadership of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is a triumphant journey in which the chuche-oriented art of leadership has been fully established and brilliantly practiced.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"By waging an active struggle at each stage of party construction and at each stage of development in the revolution to establish the right leadership art, our party was able to establish a revolutionary and people-oriented leadership art for the whole party." (Ibid, p 109)

The shining history of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's revolutionary activity spanning over 60 years, during which he has pioneered and led our revolution since he embarked upon revolutionary struggle in his

early youth, is a history adorned with impressive victories won by founding the immortal chuche ideology and by creating and comprehensively applying the most revolutionary and popular leadership art on the basis of the chuche ideology.

Our party's leadership art created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's is not one that was created on the basis of experience won at a certain stage in the revolutionary struggle of the working class but a leadership art which was created on the basis of the rich experience gained by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song while for many years personally organizing and leading the revolutionary struggle at its many difficult and complex stages and in various fields, such as the struggles for national liberation, class liberation, human liberation and the struggle for the remaking of nature, society and man.

In the course of organizing and leading the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song discovered the precious truth that the masses are the masters of the revolution, accordingly, even difficult and complicated problems can be solved only if we go among the masses and set them in motion; and on the basis of this discovery, he created the anti-Japanese guerrilla work method. The anti-Japanese guerrilla work method is our party's traditional work method and forms the prototype of the great-leader-style work method.

By creating the anti-Japanese guerrilla work method, the great leader showed a brilliant example of the new revolutionary work method to be adopted for the entire period of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle and wisely led all command personnel of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle to practice it among the rank and file and the people. As a result, among all the ranks of anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle, a revolutionary work system was firmly established whereby all command personnel would go deep among the rank and file and the people to convey the great leader's strategic and tactical policies on time and familiarize them with these policies so that they might implement the policies to the end—the work system of always going down the grassroots level to provide assistance and guidance. Also established were the work method of giving priority to political work over all other work and solving all problems by relying on the masses, and the ethos of continuing to advance with the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance and living and fighting in a simple and unceremonious style.

With the orderly revolutionary work system established and the people-oriented work method and style taking sway among the ranks of the revolution, the great leader's unitary leadership of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle came to be thoroughly secured, enabling the guerrillas and the masses to vigorously wage the anti-revolutionary struggle, tightly rallied around the leader.

In the post-liberation days, in the course of leading many stages of the revolutionary struggle for building socialism and communism, such as the anti-imperialist, anti-feudalistic democratic revolution and the socialist revolution, the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song implemented the anti-Japanese guerrilla work method in a thoroughgoing manner and constantly brought it to perfection. The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, elucidating the importance of the question of mass leadership art for the party in power, waged an energetic struggle to establish the right party work system and improve the party work method and style from the day he set out a long time ago to build a new society.

Even under such complex circumstances in the post-liberation days, the revolutionary work system and the revolutionary and popular work method and style which had been created in the period of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle came to dominate our party which was founded only a short time before, thanks to the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

The art of leadership should take more concrete shape and be more perfected as reality changes and develops, and as the environment and conditions change. Only by properly meeting the demands of developing realities and changing circumstances, will the art of leadership be able to become a revolutionary and popular one.

The new circumstances and conditions in our country marked by the triumph of the socialist revolution and by radical changes in the people's ideological and spiritual life in our country urgently demanded the creation of a corresponding revolutionary leadership art.

This pressing problem which arose from changing realities and revolutionary practice in our country was brilliantly solved when the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song created the great Chongsan-ri spirit and the Chongsan-method.

At the December 1959 plenum of the party Central Committee, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song raised the question of improving the working system and method to suit the new environment and gave on-the-spot guidance in Chongsan-ri in February 1960, and in this process he created the Chongsan-ri spirit and the Chongsan-ri method.

The Chongsan-ri spirit and the Chongsan-ri method represent a *chuche*-oriented revolutionary work method based on the immortal *chuche* ideology and the revolutionary mass line and constitutes a new developed version of the anti-Japanese guerrilla work method. With the creation of the Chongsan-ri method, the anti-Japanese guerrilla work method came to take on a more concrete shape and became more systematic to suit the new condition of socialist development.

Indeed the Chongsan-ri spirit and the Chongsan-ri method represent the most revolutionary and popular leadership art in which the unique thought on leading the masses and all the substance necessary for the working-class party's leadership art are synthesized.

The entire period in which the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has created and implemented the most popular and revolutionary *chuche*-oriented leadership art has been the process of always going among the masses to set forth correct lines and policies on the basis of the demands and aspirations of the masses and of implementing these lines and policies by giving play to the inexhaustible creative energies of the masses. Always going among the working people to show his immense trust in and love for them, discussing all matters, minor and important, with them, and showing them the road they should follow—this has been the consistent principle the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has always maintained ever since he set out on the road of revolution in his early youth.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has always reflected whatever the people wanted and liked as to party lines and policies so that they might grip the hearts of the masses and spur them on to heroic exploits. This practice is clearly illustrated by the following leadership feature of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song: In the difficult period of the war, he found a sure sign of victory for the fatherland liberation war in the confident voice of a female party member at Nagwon; and even in those days when the factionalists engaged in vicious machinations against the party, he drew strength and courage from the simple voice of an old village woman and resolutely smashed their schemes, leading the revolution and construction to victory.

It is due to the outstanding leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who always stays with the masses, and trusts them, overcomes all difficulties by remembering the example of our people who were able to rise again from the heap of ashes and vigorously dash forward on the one road of victory, riding on the back of a flying horse.

The noble models of the leadership method and art created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song have left brilliant marks on every footprint on the long trails his on-the-spot guidance tours have led him again and again.

Fully synthesized in the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's on-the-spot guidance method is all the substance of his great leadership art.

Through the uninterrupted course of on-the-spot guidance in all areas of the country, including Chongsan-ri, and in every field of the revolution and construction, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has fully elucidated and demonstrated all the substance of the art of his

leadership. This includes, among other things, establishing an orderly party work system and going among the masses to find the right way to solve problems by giving priority to political work and by grasping actual conditions in detail, and bestowing immense trust and love on the masses.

As a result, in every place where the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song left the footprints of his noble on-the-spot guidance trip, a new history of miracles and creation has been unfolded and the people's rewarding and happy life has burst into blossom.

Indeed the revolutionary and popular chuche-oriented leadership art created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the inexhaustible source of strength that will vigorously lead the revolution and construction straight to victory.

The great leadership art created by the great leader is being developed and enriched with new treasures by the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il. Our party is wisely leading the efforts to constantly improve the party work system, the party work method, and the party work style to suit the demands of the developing realities in which the cause of converting the whole society to the chuche ideology has emerged in the forefront.

Setting forth the thought and principle that the party work system should, as a matter of principle, be aimed at insuring the unitary leadership of the Party Center, our party has not only clarified all fundamental problems arising in its implementation but also formally formulated the work method created by the leader into the great-leader-style work method and strived to implement it in every aspect of party work and party activity.

As a result, an orderly work system capable of thoroughly securing the unity of the party ideology and party leadership, properly conducting work with people, and actively enhancing the revolutionary zeal and creative positiveness of the masses has been established within the party, which has become permeated with the work method and habit practiced by all functionaries of going deep among the masses, of giving priority to political work, namely, work with people, and of boldly and daringly planing every task and aggressively pushing forward with it.

Under the leadership of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song and our party, the chuche-oriented leadership art has been developed to perfection by an addition of new treasures and has been fully implemented in the revolution and construction, bringing about great reality.

With the chuche-oriented leadership art implemented in every respect of the revolution and construction, the process of revolutionary change in society has been accelerated as never before; the ideological and mental

features of the people and their work style have undergone a radical change and the might of our party has been augmented as never before.

Led by the chuche-oriented leadership art created by the great leader, our people came to occupy their position as the real masters of history and have been able to vigorously accelerate the process of sociohistorical transformation. Under the wise leadership of the great leader, our people consummated the cause of national liberation and successfully accomplished two successive stages of the social revolution under the worst possible conditions, and were able to work the miracle of fulfilling the herculean cause of socialist industrialization in only 14 short years, a speed which has no parallel in history. In the course of the vigorous struggle to convert the whole society to the chuche ideology under the leadership of the party and the leader, all sectors of the national economy have been equipped with modern technologies; the nation's economic might has been augmented as never before; the people, the masters of society, are being prepared in an excellent manner as communist-type men developed all-round, firmly armed with the chuche ideology and possessing a high cultural and technological standard.

Today all our party members and workers are wholeheartedly following and trusting the party and the leader with infinite loyalty, firmly determined to fight on staunchly along the one road of revolution blazed by the party and leader, with the spirit of crossing the burning river and wading along the muddy road in combat.

Indeed the momentous historical changes in our country represent the brilliant fruition of the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who created the most revolutionary and popular leadership art and has implemented it in the revolution and construction; and they are the proud fruits borne by the energetic guidance of the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il, who is in the process of developing and perfecting the chuche-oriented leadership art after having inherited it in its entirety.

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To more thoroughly implement the revolutionary leadership art created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is an important guarantee for bringing the chuche revolutionary cause to consummation.

The chuche-oriented leadership art is a leadership art which has fully demonstrated its justness and vitality in the practice of the Korean revolution which has triumphantly marched on, and it serves as a genuine model of the leadership art which the working-class party should firmly grip and move forward with the building of socialism and communism.

We should be infinitely loyal to the leadership of the party and the leader, cherishing our immense national pride and confidence in living and carrying out revolution, looking up with reverence to the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song—who created the most revolutionary and popular leadership art, and by implementing it, has saved the fate of the country and nation and brought boundless happiness to our people—and to the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il, who is leading our people to the future of communism with his outstanding and tested leadership.

For our people to embrace, rock, stock and barrel, the chuche-oriented leadership art created by the great leader and go forward with implementing it—herein lies the real way for our people to faithfully follow the leadership of the party and leader and consummate the chuche revolutionary cause pioneered in the primeval forests of Mt Paektu.

All functionaries should arm themselves with the revolutionary work system and the revolutionary and popular work method and style as elucidated by the chuche-oriented leadership art, and implement them in every aspect of the revolution and construction. In so doing, they should more thoroughly secure the unitary dominance of the thoughts and leadership of the party and the leader within the party, and cause the whole society to brim with the revolutionary and popular work method and style enabling the masses to preserve their position as masters of the revolution and construction and play their role as masters.

By more thoroughly implementing the chuche-oriented leadership art created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song in the revolution and construction, we should further develop our party into a seasoned and tempered chuche-oriented party, consolidate the unity and cohesion of the party and the people, and achieve the complete victory of socialism and the ultimate consummation of the cause of converting the whole society to the chuche ideology.

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The History of the Great Leader Comrade Kim Il-song's Revolutionary Activity Is Brilliantly Embroidered With Communist Camaraderie
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[Text] The history of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's revolutionary activity is a proud history shining with immortal achievements compiled for our country and revolution and for our nation and humanity and a history of genuine comradely love embroidered with noble love for and trust in the people and revolutionary warriors.

Comrade Kim Chong-il, member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee and secretary of the party Central Committee, pointed out as follows:

“The leader's greatness and his communist character consist in genuine comradely love. The history of his revolutionary activity and his shining life journey is a history of genuine camaraderie.”

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who is the embodiment of the brilliant wisdom of a great ideologist, the outstanding traits of a great leader, and the noble virtues of a great man, set a shining example of the finest and loftiest comradely love while fighting his way through the difficult terrain in the long journey of the unprecedentedly protracted and complex revolutionary struggle. The proud course of the Korean revolution, which was pioneered and has triumphantly advanced under the banner of the chuche ideology, is permeated with the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's infinitely noble and lofty trust in and love for the revolutionary warriors.

On the occasion of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's birthday, the former anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters, the heroic veterans of the fatherland liberation war, the new-generation functionaries, and all our people—who are evermore enhancing their valuable and rewarding honors as revolutionaries, with their political life accepted and embraced in the benevolent bosom of the fatherly leader—are filled to overflowing with a burning determination to repay with loyalty the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's noble love engraved on the glory-filled road of the Korean revolution, while once again ruminating on this love, this benevolence, in the depths of their hearts.

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The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the great leader who set forth the thought on revolutionary camaraderie by brilliantly applying the immortal chuche ideology.

As a rule, in the historic period of exploring the cause of the revolution, an outstanding leader of the working class sets forth an idea about establishing revolutionary camaraderie and a genuine human relationship on the basis of a scientific analysis of all factors involved in achieving the victory of the revolution and on the basis of his knowledge of the preciousness of comradely love gained through experience, and he implements this idea in practical activities of revolutionary struggle.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught that what counts most in human relationships is revolutionary camaraderie, which is the love that generates between

the people who, sharing the same thought and the same mind, fight together for the revolution and for the cause of socialism and communism, that is, between revolutionary comrades.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"...What counts most in human relationships is revolutionary camaraderie.

"The belief that revolutionary camaraderie is what counts most in human relationships is our view of life which has been formed in the long course of our revolutionary struggle."

Generally, a genuine human relationship begins with and is cemented and maintained by genuine trust between individuals. Only by trusting and loving each other, will people be able to establish a genuine human relationship and comradeship. Comradeship begins with trust and is cemented by trust, comradely love being the foundation of a genuine comradely relationship.

What is most dear to revolutionaries is revolutionary camaraderie. If parental love is one sealed with blood, comradely love is one sealed between revolutionary comrades sharing the same thought and the same mind and struggling to realize common goals and ideals. Youngsters are brought up under the tender care of their parents, but when they grow up and set out on the road of revolution, they come to live and carry out activities, loving each other as comrades. As the old proverb goes, you can buy a house for 800 gold coins, but you would have to pay 1,000 gold coins to buy the friendship of your neighborhood. But comradely love is something that you cannot buy even for 1,000 crowns. For revolutionaries, all other kinds of love can become genuine love contributory to the revolutionary struggle to attain the independent stand and attitude and become something most valuable, only when they are based on revolutionary camaraderie.

The intrinsic demand of the revolutionary struggle for the independent stand and attitude makes revolutionary camaraderie occupy the most important and valuable place among all kinds of love. To attain the independent stand and attitude, people must make revolution, and to make revolution, they have to achieve solid comradely unity with people sharing the same thought and the same mind. No matter how ardently one desires to wage a revolutionary struggle, regarding it as a vital necessity, one cannot make revolution all by oneself, nor will it be possible to win victory in the revolution unless people sharing the same mind band together. Attainment of unity in the ideological will of the ranks based on revolutionary camaraderie is an important factor bearing on the fate of the revolution. For this reason, in order that victory may be won in the revolution, it is absolutely necessary to achieve unity in the ideological will of the revolutionary ranks based on revolutionary camaraderie

and to seal a genuine comradely relationship among revolutionaries and to constantly solidify and develop it in the course of the revolutionary struggle.

Thus revolutionary camaraderie, because it is sealed, solidified, and developed among comrades sharing the same thought and mind and sharing the same fate on the formidable road of revolution, can become the durable foundation of a genuine comradely relationship and the highest form of human love.

The revolutionary comradeship displayed by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the noblest comradely faith and love based on the immortal *chuche* ideology.

A great thought begets a great love. The loftiness and truthfulness of communist camaraderie come from the greatness of the thought and the world outlook on which it is based. Inasmuch as this thought and world outlook determines people's stand and attitude toward their comrades, as well as the loftiness of their love of their comrades, they can have genuine love for their comrades only when they have the right thought and the right world outlook.

The immortal *chuche* ideology created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is a new man-centered philosophical thought and the scientific and revolutionary world view that communist-type men should have. The *chuche* ideology has elevated the dignity and value of man onto the highest plane on the basis of a scientific elucidation of man's intrinsic characteristics and his place and role in the world, and elucidated the truth that it should be observed as the supreme principle to give prominence to man as the most valuable and competent being and protect his interests in efforts to remake nature and man. This truth as elucidated by the *chuche* ideology is the starting point for that view which holds revolutionary comrades dearest, and infinitely treasures and loves them on the road of revolution.

The noble communist comradeship displayed by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song has as its ideological basis the immortal *chuche* ideology, which is permeated with the noble spirit of respect and love for man, namely, the point of view that man is the most precious of all things in the world. He is also the most energetic being; as such, communist comradely love fully embodies the demand of the *chuche* ideology that all things be considered, with man at the center and be made to serve man.

The communist comradely love displayed by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the noblest and loftiest love because he is the great leader of the revolution who created and has been implementing a new, original thought which has elevated the position and role of man, particularly of the masses of working people, onto the highest plane and which is filled to overflowing with warm love and care for man.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's communist comradely love is shining as the noblest of all love because it inherited the lofty humanitarianism of the revolutionary and patriotic Mangyongdae family.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song was born in the revolutionary Mangyongdae family, which has fought for the country and people from generation to generation. Beginning in his childhood, he received revolutionary education from his parents, who fostered in him an ardent love for the country and people, and engraved deep in his heart the grand desire for national liberation, class liberation, and human liberation as he witnessed the miserable fate of our people being trampled underfoot. When his parents set out to devote themselves to the liberation of the proletariat and the restoration of the fatherland, he joined them in the journey of their revolutionary activity, and he engraved deep in his heart his father's teaching that only he who stands ready to die for his comrade can have a true comrade—these days in particular were the historic period in which the great leader was solidly molding his firm faith in humanitarianism.

From the day he set out on the 1,000-ri journey for fatherland restoration when he was only 14 years old, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song felt keenly that nothing is more precious in this world than revolutionary comrades and that infinite comradely love is a priceless treasure. Under the difficult circumstances in the early days of his revolutionary activity when the storm of suppression by the enemy was sweeping the country, the preciousness of genuine revolutionary camaraderie was driven home to him all the more keenly. Through this experience, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song came to realize that a genuine comradely relationship can be sealed firmly only by sharing the same mind and the same fate between comrades under whatever adverse circumstance, and with this realization, he has set a brilliant example of noble communist camaraderie on the long journey of revolution.

In this way, the revolutionary comradely love displayed by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song has been able to become the communist revolutionary camaraderie that has reached the highest plane of loftiness and nobleness. This is due to the greatness of the thought on which it is based, and to the revolutionary and people-minded family and the practice of the Korean revolution, strewn with arduous trials. These factors provide the foundation for the formation and development of the revolution.

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The history of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's revolutionary activity is one adorned with his communist comradely love for revolutionary warriors.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has embodied comradely love at its noble height and has set an example of the finest and noblest love for revolutionary warriors while fighting his way through the long course of the arduous and bloody revolutionary struggle.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"Ever since the day we set out on the road of revolution, we have shared life and death, joys and sorrows, with many comrades." (Ibid, p 529)

The greatness of the leader of the working class consists in the noble virtue in the form of genuine comradely love, with which he overcomes hardship and trials with his warriors and shares with them joys and sorrows, life and death. It also consists in his uncommon wisdom, outstanding thoughts, and matchless leadership ability. Revolutionary comradely love makes up an important attribute in a great leader.

The revolutionary camaraderie sealed between communists manifests itself in its highest form between the leader and his warriors.

The leader of the revolution is a great leader, a great comrade and teacher who brings up and leads the warriors with immense faith and love. Every revolutionary without exception learns the laws of class struggle, the truth about revolution and grows up as a staunch fighter and genuine revolutionary under the leader's guiding hand.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the great teacher who imbues our people and revolutionary warriors with class consciousness and leads them on the worthy road of revolution by making them perceive the truth about revolution.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song illuminated the road ahead for the country and people with the rays of the immortal chuche ideology and bestowed the genuine weapon of struggle on our people and the young communists who were caught up in aimless roaming, without knowing whither to turn. The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, holding numerous workers and peasants and their sons and daughters in his bosom, led them on the sacred road of revolution and tenderly cared for them so that all of them could master the truth about revolution, saying "for people making revolution, it is their first duty to study." Numerous revolutionary warriors mastered the truth about revolution, accepted and embraced the weapons of struggle, and grew up as revolutionaries and staunch fighters in his affectionate bosom.

On the windy slash-and-burn hills and under the light of a blazing fire in the primeval forest, the respected and beloved leader placed pencils in the rough hands of the warriors and imbued them with the invincible revolutionary thought. His whole life since those days has been resplendent with the great triumphs he has achieved in

bringing up all our revolutionary warriors as indomitable revolutionary fighters by holding them in his bosom with warm love and trust as revolutionary comrades.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the benefactor who has bestowed precious political lives on revolutionary warriors.

A political life is the first and foremost life of an independent human being; it is a precious life which glorifies the life of a revolutionary forever. A man, when he has a political life, can enhance his dignity and value as a social being, and live a rewarding life for the sake of the party and revolution and for the society and collective.

A political life is bestowed by the leader and is preserved and enhanced by his political trust and oversight. Bestowing and enhancing a political life is the main substance of the leader's comradely love for his warriors, and as such, it constitutes the most important manifestation of the comradely relationship sealed between the leader and his warriors.

In the flames of the formidable anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song established various forms of revolutionary organizations, including party organizations, enlisted in them revolutionary warriors and broad circles of people from all walks of life, led them to have a political life, and carefully looked after them so that they might preserve and enhance their precious political lives in their pure form.

The anecdote about the fatherly leader who himself set fire to the bag of Minsaengdang papers in the period of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle is still engraved deep in the hearts of people today, after so many years, as a historic event demonstrating his great love and immense faith. This is because the story is permeated with the infinite comradely love and noble features of our leader, who has held everyone in his bosom, not with distrust and rejection but with magnanimity and tolerance, and who has led them to glorify their political life on the road of revolution. With his great love for and trust in revolutionary warriors, in the post-liberation days, the great leader bestowed constant political trust in a certain functionary with an intellectual background, and each time anti-party elements threatened his political life, the great leader protected him, saying that as long as the party existed, nobody would dare to touch him. Under the trust and care of the great leader, our old intellectuals have been brought up as revolutionaries who understand the party and the revolution, and who know how to keep on supporting the party and the leader while enhancing their political life through the worthy struggle for the sake of the country and people.

Revolutionary camaraderie presupposes strict criticisms among comrades of each other's shortcomings. Criticism is in itself love and trust. Criticism resides in love and trust, and love and trust resides in criticism.

Always with warm comradely love and trust, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song tenderly led along the path to rehabilitation the warriors who committed an error on the road of the revolution, while occasionally criticizing and punishing them but always looking after them, so that they might deeply cherish their immortal political lives.

During the anti-Japanese armed struggle, the great leader sternly criticized a food supply unit leader for violating mass discipline and a detachment leader for failing to control his instantaneous rage at the enemy, and thus bungling his important revolutionary mission, and led them by the hand so that they might better revolutionize themselves and become fine revolutionaries.

It was wholly due to this kind of warm and principled love and care displayed by the respected and beloved leader that anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters were brought up as tested, steeled, and reliable revolutionaries, and who are still leading an imperishable, glorious life today, that so many functionaries have been able to preserve their political lives in their pure form and enhance them.

Indeed the respected and beloved leader's whole life is the immortal history of the great leader who, holding the people and warriors in his bosom with warm humanitarianism and trust, has bestowed the most precious political lives on them and helped them glorify their political lives; it is a proud course in which he has organized, mobilized, and led the people and the warriors with this love and trust to work epoch-making miracles on this land.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is a great comrade who has been taking meticulous care of the revolutionary warriors in various aspects ranging from their daily lives to their health, with noble communist comradely love.

What counts for revolutionaries is, needless to say, their thoughts and ideals. However, if revolutionary thoughts and creeds are to be maintained and enhanced on the road of arduous struggle, they should be backed up by health as a physical guarantee.

In addition to bestowing revolutionary thoughts and belief and precious political lives upon revolutionary fighters, the leader takes care of their daily lives and health. The interest in and the care for the daily lives and health of the revolutionary fighters are an important manifestation of the leader's comradely love for the revolutionary fighters.

Since the day he fired the first shot signaling the anti-Japanese war up to now, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has dispatched numerous fighters to various places on new assignments. The first words he spoke each time he met fighters inquired about their health, and he made it a rule to ask them, when they took leave, to ask them to take care of their health. With the same love with which he established a hospital in a secret camp to take care of the health of camp personnel, our respected and beloved leader still takes concrete measures of treatment for sick fighters by checking their medical records and even sends them medicine.

The well known affectionate story about 50 packets of medicine and a wild ginseng sent by the leader, and the heart-warming story about the young fighter at a sentry post whom the leader thought was too young and whom he replaced with another one—these anecdotes have long been transmitted from mouth to mouth as shining revolutionary legends of the noble comradeship love that can bloom only between our fatherly leader and his revolutionary warriors. This kind of love and this kind of paternal care are the kind of love and care that can be bestowed only by our leader, who always gives the first priority to caring for the revolutionary fighters, saying that we need the people and comrades to make revolution and carry out construction.

Indeed the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song's noblest communist comradeship love is shining as a great model which has elevated the relationship between the leader and his warriors who share the same thoughts and fate, namely, the comradeship relationship and love between the communists, onto their loftiest plane, and serves as the inexhaustible source of energy for advancing the chuche revolutionary cause on the one road of victory.

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The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the great comrade and affectionate father who, with the loftiest revolutionary comradeship and integrity, bestows a lasting life and shining glory on the revolutionary fighters and does his best to look after surviving families of fallen revolutionaries.

Revolutionary integrity, along with revolutionary comradeship, is a noble feature of the communists. Revolutionary integrity is one of the loftiest traits of the communists who struggle giving their all to glorify the exploits of their revolutionary comrades and complete what they have left unfinished.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"The communists not only value comradeship love but also retain their comradeship integrity." (Ibid, p 530)

The revolutionary integrity of the communists is manifested in its highest form between the leader and the fighters. The leader, embodying revolutionary comradeship and revolutionary integrity on their loftiest plane, bestows a lasting life and shining glory upon the fighters.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's lofty comradeship love and revolutionary integrity toward the revolutionary comrades warmly touch the heartstrings of everyone because, always remembering these warriors who faithfully fought on the road of revolution, he has rewarded them with glorious lives. For scores of years, while the leader was fighting his way through, along the perilous road of revolution, personally leading a large number of warriors, naturally there were heart-rending sacrifices and some fighters had to leave the ranks. But, today, 40 or 50 years later, our respected and beloved leader still remembers these fighters and feels grieved. He talks over and over again about the lofty loyalty of the anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters to the party and the leader, and about their great meritorious services to the country and the revolution. The great leader remembers not only the anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters but also those functionaries whom he personally brought up and led on the road of revolution in a daily struggle for creation and construction; and even now, when the new generation has emerged after so many years, his heart is full as he recalls their life-long devotion to the service of the party and the country. Among them are labor innovators, rural revolutionaries, old-time scientists, and the heroic fighters who sacrificed their prime of life in the fight against the U.S. imperialists, as well as those cadres who held responsible posts in the party and the state.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is always concerned about how to hand down to posterity the stories and achievements of the revolutionary fighters who dedicated their whole precious lives, day in and day out, to the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle, the fatherland liberation war, and socialist construction. Saying that we have been able to build the prosperous fatherland of chuche and a happy people's paradise on our soil because our revolutionary martyrs readily sacrificed their youth for the restoration of the fatherland and the victory of the revolution, the great leader has erected bronze statues of the martyrs in their native places; named cities, villages, factories, and schools after them, while seeing to it that publications and broadcasts give wide publicity to their revolutionary activities and achievements on their birthdays or on the dates of their death. As if that were not enough, in order to convey the achievements of the fallen martyrs for generations to come, the great leader has had two separate burial grounds set aside for all revolutionary martyrs and late revolutionary fighters, and buried them in one place so that their names may live forever in history.

The respected and beloved leader made revolutionary fighters lead a worthy life as revolutionaries by according them high political trust and warm benevolence, and

even after their death, accorded them honors which will live forever in history. Thanks to this comradely love and noble revolutionary integrity on the part of the leader, the meritorious services of our revolutionary fighters are shining forever in a prosperous fatherland.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is the benevolent father who loves and tenderly cares for surviving families of the fallen revolutionary fighters as if they were his own children. The leader's comradely love and revolutionary integrity for the revolutionary fighters assume the most truthful and loftiest enduring quality when they are shown to the bereaved families of the fallen revolutionaries.

With the same tenderness with which he treasures the memories of the fallen comrades, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song warmly looks after their surviving families as if they were his own blood relations.

The heart-warming anecdotes about the fatherly leader's infinitely noble benevolence toward the surviving families of the late revolutionaries—for instance, the solemn story of his unbounded devotion to and his paternal care for the bereaved mother of a fallen revolutionary fighter—have long been handed down; and whoever listens to these stories cannot help but renew, in his throbbing heart, a pledge of loyalty to the leader.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song treated and cared for the surviving mother of a fallen fighter like his own mother, and she lived to be over 90 years old. She lived with fortitude as befitting the mother of a revolutionary, and the great leader prominently honored her by introducing her to the people as "communist mother" and even conferred the title of the Hero of the Republic on her. When she passed away, the great leader himself served as chief mourner and had the former anti-Japanese fighters who were the comrades of her son, her daughter, and her daughter-in-law take charge of the funeral. Heeding her cherished desire to be buried beside her son, the leader allowed her remains to lie side by side with her son in the same burial ground for revolutionary martyrs, despite the requirement that people who died in the same year be buried in the same burial ground.

In retrospect, in the history of the communist movement, there were many heart-warming stories about the leaders' love for comrades and fighters and their love and care for fallen revolutionary fighters and their surviving families. But no other leader of the revolution and supreme leader of the party and the state other than our own great leader has ever treated and cared for, over a 30-year period, the surviving mother of a fallen revolutionary fighter like his own mother. It is because of the unfathomable bosom of comradely love and revolutionary integrity displayed by the respected and beloved leader, our great father, that Korean communists threw themselves into the line of death without hesitation, leaving their loved ones behind, and in the end gave their lives on the road of revolution.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's revolutionary comradely love is the most loyal and noblest love with which he holds the children of revolutionary fighters dear, loves them, and even cares about their future.

The revolutionary cause of the working class is a historic cause that will be carried on from generation to generation and a long-range undertaking that will advance and be consummated as it is carried on from generation to generation. The revolutionary cause pioneered under the leader will be continued and brought to consummation through a protracted struggle which will be carried on for many generations under the leadership of the party and the leader. Accordingly, the question of inheriting the revolutionary cause pioneered by the leader and bringing it to consummation while carrying on the bloodline of the revolution is bound to arise, and raising the next-generation revolutionaries well becomes a vital necessity.

While confronting death face to face, and fighting his way through mounting trials, day in day out, during the 20 years of the anti-Japanese revolution and the over 40 years of creation and construction, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has been doing everything in his power to bring up the children of the late revolutionary fighters for this half century or more, regarding it as an important factor in carrying on the revolution from generation to generation, and as an obligation to the revolutionary comrades. Under the difficult circumstances during the bloody anti-Japanese war, the fatherly leader erected schools for children's teams in guerrilla bases, to which he brought the surviving sons and daughters of the martyrs from enemy-controlled areas for schooling in defiance of stringent enemy surveillance, and raised them as staunch fighters in the thick of the ceaseless battles and the arduous march. Even under the difficult and complex circumstances immediately after liberation, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song erected the revolutionary institute in Mangyongdae, a historic place, for the surviving children of the revolutionary martyrs, and these children have been brought up as fine functionaries in the party, state, military, and workers' organizations. He had the cabinet adopt a decision to build a school for the bereaved children of the fallen People's Army officers and men, guerrillas, and patriotic martyrs, and he has tenderly looked after them in their studies and daily lives as if they were his own children. Thanks to the great leader's immense interest in and profound care for the bereaved children of the fallen revolutionaries, the children of those fighters who sacrificed their manhood on the road of loyalty to protect the leader of the revolution in the early days of the revolutionary struggle are themselves now securely carrying on the revolution in the bosom of the fatherly leader. In this way, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's communist comradely love has long been remembered in history because it is an infinitely benevolent love which he has displayed in bestowing immortality and shining glory on the revolutionary fighters, and carefully looked after the bereaved children of the fallen revolutionaries by holding them in his affectionate bosom.

Indeed the comradely love displayed by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song for the numerous revolutionary fighters in each stage and in each aspect of our revolution—such as the early period of revolutionary activity, the anti-Japanese armed struggle, the building of a new fatherland, the fatherland liberation war, the socialist revolution and socialist construction, the South Korean revolution, and the movement of Korean compatriots—is the loftiest love characterized by a profound sense of obligation, and it has no parallel in history.

The history of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's noble communist comradely love is brilliantly inherited by the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il, and this love is being carried on as imperishable faith and affection which will become more benevolent and intense with the passage of time.

The dear Comrade Kim Chong-il regards it as an important requirement in further glorifying our party's tradition of unity and solidarity which was founded on the basis of revolutionary camaraderie in the period of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle, and as the revolutionary obligation which the cadres should fulfill, to respect the former veteran anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters, who have remained loyal to the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and who are our seniors as far as the Korean revolution is concerned, and to look after them well. From this point of view, he constantly shows the former anti-Japanese fighters warm affection and parental consideration so that they can continue to bring the revolution into bloom.

Urging the people from different strata who guard different revolutionary posts to share the same mind and walk down the long road of revolution together, the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il has trusted them as comrades and brought them up as proud revolutionaries by holding them in his bosom with great love. Assured of party

trust, and thanks to bold party measures, a countless number of fighters, including sentries guarding the defense line, young members of the three revolutions teams, labor innovators, writers, artists, scientists, and athletes, are enhancing their precious political lives on the worthy road of revolution, cherishing their honor of being WPK members.

Surely, the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il is the benevolent leader of our people, who has great thoughts, an outstanding leadership capability, and noble communist comradely love; and the bosom of our party is the revolutionary bosom to which all our people wholly entrust their own fate and the fate of posterity and the future of the fatherland.

It is the highest honor and happiness for all of us to live and make revolution, loftily attending the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il, who display comradely love for and trust in the revolutionary fighters.

The communists and people of Korea are the revolutionaries who have been brought up, who have basked in the immense love and trust shown by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il. The greater the love and trust we receive from the leader of the revolution, the harder we should try to repay with loyalty this love and benevolence, never forgetting it, even for a moment.

Only victory and glory are in store for our people, who are fighting on along the road of revolution under the leadership of the great party, sharing the same thought and the same mind and entrusting not only their own fate and future but also those of posterity to the benevolent bosoms of the party and the leader.

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